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CHON REMARKS AT ACADEMY COMMENCEMENT SCORED

SK290722 (Clandestine) Voice of the Revolutionary Party for Reunification in Korean to South Korea 1000 GMT 29 Mar 83

[Station commentary: "The War Commotions of the Chon Tu-hwan Ring, the Group of Reckless Warmongers"]

[Text] Showing up at the commencement of the 39th class of cadets of the military academy today, Chon Tu-hwan spouted a stream of bellicose remarks. Babbling about the bogus threat of southward invasion, he gibbered about complete readiness and overwhelming superiority in strength and so on, thus emitting the smell of power. On 27 March, too, running around the central western front areas and the defense walls on the outskirts of Seoul for as long as 15 hours from an hour before dawn into the morning, the continued to defame the north, giving directions for complete readiness.

These power-reeking, bellicose remarks of Chon Tu-hwan, which were spouted at the time of the Team Spirit '83 war exercise, the largest in history, are very ominous. This is another living evidence of their war commotions, which are becoming more and more undisguised and being brought to an even more reckless stage. It is indeed something like a thief crying "stop thief" when Chon Tu-hwan babbles about the provocations by the north and the threat of southward invasion, while staging with the United States a large war exercise against the north.

As its falseness has been completely exposed, the so-called provocations by the north, which the Chon Tu-hwan group ceaselessly babbles about, is nothing more than a sophism and their gibberish about the threat of southward invasion is a counterfeit to deceive public opinion. Many times the north has declared that it has no intention of invading the south.

Even though He Chon Tu-hwan group babbles about the southward invasion in summer and in winter, the whole world knows that the threat of southward invasion has never existed. No matter how intensely the Chon Tu-hwan group clamores about the bogus threat of southward invasion, no one in the world will believe it.

In actuality, the threat on the Korean Peninsula is created not by the north but by the south. It is none other than the Chon Tu-hwan group that continues

to introduce all kinds of up-to-date lethal weapons from the United States, to expand the military facilities and to accelerate the nourishment of combat capabilities. At the same time, it is none other than the belligerent Chon Tu-hwan group, the stooges of the United States, that reeks of powder by daily staging the reckless war exercises postulating the north as an imaginary enemy.

Even at this very moment as they babble about the threat of southward invasion, everywhere in South Korea the frantic Team Spirit '83 South Korea-U.S. joint military exercise is being staged, aggravating the situation. It is in these circumstances that the Chon Tu-hwan group gibbers about the threat of southward invasion. This is nothing more than a trick to mislead public opinion at home and abroad and, thus, to conceal their criminal maneuvers to provoke a war for the invasion of the north.

The Chon Tu-hwan clique's frantic war commotions are by no means accidental. At present, the crises that the Chon Tu-hwan group is facing at home and abroad are deepening with each passing day. Everywhere is South Korea, the anti-U.S., anti-Chon Tu-hwan sentiment is growing stronger and stronger.

In particular, with the start of spring, on campuses in the capital and in local areas, the anti-government movements are spreading like wildfire. In the month of March alone, the anti-government struggle has been furiously spread among the students of Tongguk, Sogang, Tanguk and Sungjon universities. Many other universities also appear to be joing join the struggle.

Among the masses of all strata, including the workers, too, the anti-U.S. and anti-Chon Tu-hwan sentiment is growing stronger. All these are dealing a great blow to the military rule of the Chon Tu-hwan group, the stooge of the United States, and deepening the crisis for the power of the Chon Tu-hwan group.

The Chon Tu-hwan group's promotion of war fever and his military rackets are to continue the colonial and military rule indefinitely by threatening the people, thwarting the growing anti-U.S. and anti-Chon Tu-hwan movement, and diverting the people's attention elsewhere.

The Chong Tu-hwan ring is indeed a group of warmongers desperate to maintain their lives by seeking military adventurism with the U.S. aggressors and a heinous enemy of peace and peaceful reunification.

Our masses will never allow the anti-popular criminal act of the Chon Tu-hwan fascist military group attempting to ignite a war of northward invasion in accordance with the directions of the United States.

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CHON CLIQUE BRUTALLY SUPPRESSES PATRIOTS

SK181234 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1034 GMT 18 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 18 Mar (KCNA)--The Chon Tu-hwan clique of military fascists, out-and-out flunkeyist traitors, is more brutally suppressing the patriots who have risen in the struggle for independence against U.S. imperialism.

No sooner had a fire been set to the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan than the fascist clique kicked quite a row, setting up even special search organs at the puppet police headquarters and in all provinces. From March 19, the day following the arson, to March 21 last year, it mobilized large repressive forces more than 38,000 strong in Seoul alone to arrest over 16,500 guiltless people.

After arresting those involved in the arson by a vicious method of repression, it repeated murderous trials to create a terror-ridden climate in the society, while continuously putting them to inconceivably brutal tortures.

On November 9 last year the fascist clique passed harsh penalties upon patriotic inhabitants who set fire to the "American Cultural Centre" in Kwangju, and on November 27 it inflicted heavy penalties upon workers of the Seoul branch of the U.S. Control Data Company who had fought against the national humiliation and exploitation.

It also arrested more than 10 [as printed] people including teachers, university lecturers and former policemen who called for overthrowing the Chon Tu-hwan fascist "regime" and expelling the U.S. and other foreign forces and conducted activities in Taejon of South Chungchong Province to realise the independent and peaceful reunification of the country in accordance with the proposal for founding the Democratic Confederal Republic of Koryo and sentenced them to harsh penalties. Some time ago it stretched the tentacles of repression to the conscientious Christians of the Christian Action Organisation because they made public a statement containing anti-U.S., seditious expressions.

In particular, the puppets are directing their attack with blood-shot eyes to students who have joined in the anti-U.S. struggle for independence.

This is proved by the fact that students who were detained by them while waging the anti-U.S. struggle for independence, the anti-fascist struggle for democracy from March to August last year numbered more than 120, only counting those reported.

The fascist clique arrested eight students at Kangwon University of South Korea alone and inflicted prison terms upon them because they staged a demonstration, burning a U.S. flag and scattering leaflets carrying the words "Yankees, go home" and "we praise the arson at the American Cultural Centre in Pusan" in the campus in April last year.

The puppets disciplined more than 8,000 students under the reactionary "graduation limit system" in about 10 days at the close of the second semester this year.

To prevent the anti-U.S., anti-"government" action of the people they also rigged up the "Purim case," "Aramhoe case," "spying case" and other conspiratorial cases one after another, jailed those who had conducted just patriotic activities and brutally murdered them by bloody torture.

But, the more fully the Chon Tu-hwan puppet clique discloses its traitorous nature, the fiercer resistance of people it will meet.

CSO: 4100/128

ANTI-U.S. STRUGGLE IN SOUTH KOREA HAILED

SK191539 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1504 GMT 19 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 19 Mar (KCNA)--NODONG SINMUN Saturday carries an article titled "The South Korean People's Cause of Independence Against U.S. Imperialism Will Certainly Be Victorious" on the lapse of one year since the arson at the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan by South Korean students and people.

The daring struggle of South Korean students and people in setting fire to the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan was an eruption of their pent-up resentment and grievances against the U.S. imperialist aggressors who have been maintaining a brutal colonial fascist rule over South Korea, occupying it for nearly 40 years, and an expression of their unshakable will and patriotism to restore national dignity and sovereignty lost to the aggressors, the author of the article notes, and says:

The anti-U.S. torchlight held aloft in Pusan powerfully encouraged the South Korean people's anti-U.S. struggle for national salvation and dealt a telling blow at the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppet clique, their stooge.

By setting fire to the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan, the South Korean people made clear their firm determination to terminate the U.S. imperialists' colonial rule and live an independent life.

But, the U.S. imperialists instigated the puppets to suppress the patriots who took part in the struggle and are reinforcing the colonial rule, challenging the demand of the South Korean people.

On the instructions of U.S. imperialism, the Chon Tu-hwan fascist clique arrested those involved in the arson by mobilizing large repressive forces and put them to brutal tortures and persecution and repeated murderous trials for nearly one year before inflicting harsh penalties on them.

By meekly obeying the order of U.S. imperialism and penalizing the patriots who condemned the aggressors, the Chon Tu-hwan puppet clique revealed again their true color as despicable traitors intending to get over the crisis of their rule and remain in power for an indefinite period under the patronage of U.S. imperialism.

Pointing out that the U.S. imperialists are staging the "Team Spirit 83" war exercises together with the South Korean puppets by mobilizing large armed forces and ultra-modern means of war and are manipulating the Japanese reactionaries and the Chon Tu-hwan puppet clique to strengthen political, economic and military collusion and taking one more step towards the formation of a U.S.-Japan-South Korea tripartite military alliance, the article says:

The developments over the last year since the arson clearly showed again that the South Korean people's desire for an independent and democratic society and national reunification cannot be realised with the U.S. imperialist aggression forces and the Chon Tu-hwan clique of flunkeyist traitors, their stooges, left alone in South Korea.

The U.S. imperialists and their stooge the Chon Tu-hwan fascist clique can execute and murder some patriots. But they cannot stamp out the earnest desire of the South Korean people for independence, democracy and reunification or bring the Korean people to their knees.

The U.S. imperialist aggressors must immediately withdraw from South Korea, taking along all their lethal weapons.

The Chon Tu-hwan military fascist clique must apologise to the country and the nation for their crimes and step down from power at once.

Under the banner of the anti-U.S. struggle for independence and the anti-fascist struggle for democracy, the South Korean people will force the U.S. imperialist aggressors out of South Korea and overthrow the colonial military fascist rule by united efforts.

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ANTI-U.S. STRUGGLE IN SOUTH KOREA REVIEWED

SK191055 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1040 GMT 19 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 19 Mar (KCNA)--The South Korean people of all strata are now vigorously waging a sacred struggle, upholding the just slogan of independence against U.S. imperialism.

The patriotic youth and students embraced in the "Saepyol society" set fire to the "American Cultural Centre" in the heart of Pusan in broad daylight in March last year. This was followed by attacks on and arsons at the "Walker Hill," a U.S. army pleasure resort in Seoul, the Seoul branch of the U.S. Trust Bank, the "American Cultural Centre" in Kwangju and the U.S. Embassy and its hostels in Seoul from March last year to January this year.

In April last year when the anti-U.S. anti-"government" demonstrations were continuing, students of Kangwon University in Chunchon, South Korean Kangwon Province, burned an accursed U.S. flag "stars and stripes," shouting "Yankee, go home."

South Korean joined in the anti-U.S. struggle. In the first three months of last year after the arson at the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan, tens of thousands of youth and students, religionists and people of other strata held meetings and demonstrations in several big cities of South Korea alone, thereby encouraging the struggle of those youth and students who set fire at the U.S. imperialists' tool of ideological and cultural infiltration.

In this struggle the slogan "We oppose the U.S. support to Chon Tu-hwan 'regime'" was put up by Seoul students and the cry "We are poor because of the United States" rang out from among religionists.

Referring to such developments in South Korea Ranard, former director of the office of Korean affairs in the U.S. State Department, said in his article contributed to the NEW YORK TIMES that the United States was confronted with unprecedented anti-Americanisation in South Korea. In a secret report submitted in the name of the State Department, the U.S. ruling circles cried that the change of attitude toward the United States in South Korea was spreading, not confined to the students alone.

The South Korean people are awakening and building up strength in the struggle. They will sweep away the Chon Tu-hwan military hooligans and terminate the U.S. imperialists' colonial rule over South Korea sooner or later with their united might.

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REPORT ON MAC SECURITY OFFICERS' MEETING

SK190056 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2344 GMT 18 Mar 83

[Text] Kaesong, 18 Mar (KCNA)--A meeting of security officers of the Military Armistice Commission was held on March 18 at Panmunjom at the proposal of our side.

At the meeting our side lodged a strong protest with the enemy side against wanton violation of the armistice agreement and agreed provisions these days by the U.S. imperialist aggressors in the joint security area and called the enemy side to account for it.

According to the statement of the security officer of our side, at around 7 hours 20 minutes on March 18, a U.S. imperialist aggression army soldier at the observation post of the conference hall of the Military Armistice Commission threw dirts at personnel of our side on the opposite side. At around 16 hours 47 minutes on March 16, a U.S. imperialist aggression army soldier at a post southeast of the MAC conference hall threw many stones, seriously threatening the personal safety of security personnel of our side.

Earlier, on March 3, 6 and 7, a U.S. imperialist aggression army soldier committed a provocation against our side.

The U.S. imperialist aggression army soldiers crudely violated agreed provisions, too.

On the morning of February 18 they illegally brought into the joint security area two machineguns and 35 armed personnel in excess of the designated number.

In March the U.S. imperialist aggressors' illegal introduction of armed personnel into the joint security area has been ceaseless almost every day.

The security officer of our side exposed, citing facts, how the U.S. imperialist aggression army soldiers recently committed acts of provocation and violation in the joint security area. We cannot but direct serious attention to the fact that acts of provocation and violation in the joint security area are becoming more frequent, assuming a grave nature at a time when the situation in our country has been brought to an extreme pitch of strain owing to the U.S. imperialists' adventurous "Team Spirit 83" war exercises, he stated. He strongly protested against this and demanded the enemy side to take responsible steps.

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PUSAN ARSON ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATED

SK180514 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0349 GMT 18 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 18 Mar (KCNA)--A Pyongyang meeting for commemorating the first anniversary of the arson at the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan by South Korean youth, students and people was held on March 17 at the Central House of Workers.

Placed on the platform of the meeting hall was a portrait of the great leader of our party and our people Comrade Kim Il-song.

Present at the meeting together with people of all strata in the city were Yo Yon-ku, director of the secretariat of the Central Committee of the Democratic Front for the Reunification of the Fatherland; Hong Ki-mun, vice-chairman of the Committee for the Peaceful Reunification of the Fatherland; Kim Sok-chun, vice-chairman of the Central Committee of the Korean Social Democratic Party; Choe Hui-chun, vice-chairman of the Central Committee of the Chondoist Chongu Party; Kim I-hun, chairman of the Central Committee of the Union of Agricultural Working People of Korea; Kim Yong-nam, vice-chairman of the Central Committee of the General Federation of Trade Unions of Korea; Kim Chang-yong, chairman of the Korean Students Committee; and Wang Kyong-hak, vice-chairman of the Pyongyang Municipal People's Committee.

Yi Yong-su, chairman of the Central Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea, made a report at the meeting.

He said that at a time when the spearhead of the struggle of the South Korean people, youth and students was being gradually directed against the U.S. imperialists after the heroic Kwangju popular uprising, Kim Hyon-chang, Mun Pu-sik and other hot-blooded youth and students in Pusan, heroically determined to burn the "American Cultural Centre" in the city and spread with it as a fuse the flames of the anti-U.S. struggle for independence throughout South Korea, set fire to the den of the enemy and scattered leaflets in various parts of the city in the daytime of March 18 last year, vigorously rousing the people to the anti-U.S., anti-Chon Tu-hwan struggle.

The arson at the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan which shocked the whole land of South Korea was an explosion of the pent-up grievances and wrath of the South Korean people against the U.S. imperialist aggressors and a stern

punishment meted out to them who manipulated behind the scene the Kwangju massacre and installed the despicable murderer at the head of the puppet clique to enforce a tyrannical military fascist rule, he declared.

He said that the arson marked a new occasion in bringing the anti-U.S. national salvation struggle of the South Korean people to a higher stage.

Pointing out that at the instigation of the U.S. imperialist aggressors, the Chon Tu-hwan fascist clique inflicted harsh penalties upon Kim Hyong-chang, Mun Pu-sik and others in defiance of the unanimous protest and denunciation of the people at home and abroad, he stressed that this suppression was a vicious fascist attack on the independent forces of South Korea and an undisguised challenge to human conscience.

The lofty desire of the hot-blooded youth and patriotic people who rose in the sacred struggle against U.S. imperialism and fascism and for national salvation, burning the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan, should be realised at an early date, he stated, and stressed: to this end, it is imperative first of all to make the U.S. imperialist aggression forces withdraw from South Korea and put an end to the colonial rule.

He said: The South Korean people should wage the anti-fascist struggle for democracy, along with the anti-U.S. struggle for independence, overthrow the Chon Tu-hwan puppet clique and liquidate the military fascist rule, and valiantly struggle for the abolition of all the suppressive machines and fascist evil laws and the acquittal of those involved in the arson and unreasonably arrested and imprisoned, guiltless people.

The January 18 joint statement of political parties and public organisations in the northern half proposing the convocation of a joint conference of political parties and social organisations in the north and the south is a just nation-saving measure for solving the pressing problem arising in the realisation of the cause of national reunification and for promoting the independent and peaceful reunification of the country, the reporter said, and declared:

We who truly loves the country and desires its reunificiation should actively respond to this patriotic initiative.

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TOKYO MEETING DENOUNCES TEAM SPIRIT EXERCISES

SK191531 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1500 GMT 19 Mar 83

[Text] Tokyo, 16 Mar (KNS-KCNA)--A meeting was held in Tokyo on 11 March in denunciation of the "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises of the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppet clique.

Lectures were given by critic Nobuo Nakagawa and ex-chairman of the Okinawa Prefectural Council of Trade Unions Ryoshin Nagayoshi on the respective subjects "The arms expansion line of the Nakasone cabinet and the U.S.-Japan-South Korea military alliance" and "'Team Spirit 83' and Okinawa."

Speeches by the representatives of Japanese citizens organisations were followed by the adoption of an appeal. The appeal points out that the "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises not only hinder the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea, the greatest desire of the Korean people, freeze Korea's division and increase tension but also menace peace in Japan and Asia.

Noting that the U.S. imperialists' row for the provocation of a new war is aimed at delivering themselves from a political and economic crisis, it says: We can never allow the Nakasone cabinet's act in taking the road of a dangerous war, following the United States.

The independent and peaceful building of the country, we believe, is in keeping with the desire of the Japanese people who experienced a war in the past days and know full well of the importance of peace.

For the development of this movement we will firmly unite with the world people including the Korean people and strengthen solidarity with them.

We demand an immediate stop to the dangerous "Team Spirit 83" military exercises the United States is staging by inveigling Japan and South Korea. And we oppose the Nakasone cabinet's following the United States and expanding the armament.

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SOUTH'S ANTICORRUPTION DRIVE CALLED MASQUERADE

SK211055 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1044 GMT 21 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 21 Mar (KCNA)--The South Korean puppet social purification committee recently called a "joint meeting of inspectors" and worked out a "detailed action program" and "plan for promotion" for the "expulsion of three corrupt mentalities."

Commenting on this, NODONG SINMUN today says: This racket of the puppet clique is one more masquerade for putting down with deception and fascist crackdown the struggle of the South Korean students and people which is steadly mounting under the banner of independence against U.S. imperialism and for maintaining the fascist dictatorship.

The author of the commentary says: The intention of the puppet clique is revealed first of all in their clamouring that they would lay main stress on "establishing order."

Today in South Korea all actions of the people who refuse to be obedient to the order of fascist suppression are regarded as "disorder."

The puppets' talk that they would "expel disorder" and "establish order" means that they would bind people tightly to their suppressive order and further intensify the suppression.

Also shameless is the cry of the puppet clique that they would get rid of "factors obstructive to the economic stabilisation" by forming "special teams" and "information teams."

In South Korea the most despicable illicit money hoarder are Chon Tu-hwan and Co. and it is also the puppets who have led the South Korean economy to bankruptcy.

It is shameless indeed for these gangsters to talk about the "irregularities" of someone and cry for their elimination.

The puppets' talk that they would remove such irregularities as "smuggling," "export of foreign currency" and "deviation of youth and children" is also a trick to veil their true colour as the very one who caused these misdeeds. It only gives rise to derision among the people. If the corruption and irregularities are to be removed in South Korea, a "program" and "plan" are not necessary but the Chon Tu-hwan clique of dirty traitors and ringleaders of corruption and irregularities, must be got rid of and the colonial rule of the U.S. imperialists, be terminated.

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SOUTH KOREAN PEOPLE SUPPORT DCRK PROPOSAL

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[Text] Pyongyang, 17 Mar (KCNA)--The South Korean people are renewing their determination to vigorously turn out in the struggle for realising the proposal for national reunification put forward by the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song, their hearts burning with the ardent desire to live in his warm bosom.

An intellectual surnamed Yi, one-time university professor in Seoul, showed to his family some time ago a portrait of the great leader and a pamphlet containing national reunification proposals advanced by the great leader in different periods, which we had kept carefully. He told them:

General Kim Il-song has put forward national reunification proposals overflowing with compatriotic sentiments hundreds of times. The proposals advanced by him are most fair and aboveboard ones acceptable to everyone.

The country would have been reunified long ago, if the yankees and the successive rulers of the south had not suppressed our people's struggle to carry the general's proposals into practice.

In the rest of my life, I would have nothing more to desire, if I could see General Kim Il-song, with the country unified.

A certain Pak residing in Tobong District, Seoul, informed his villagers of the proposal for the founding of the Democratic Confederal Republic of Koryo, and said confidently: "When this reunification proposal advanced by General Kim Il-song is realised, the history of national distress recorded with misfortunes and sufferings will come to an end and a new history of a reunified country will begin and our people will live a happy life in the bosom of the general."

A pastor surnamed Kim in Pusan declared to believers: "The country will be reunified only when we follow the road indicated by General Kim Il-song, the sun of salvation." And he added: "I am determined to dedicate my body and soul on the road of national reunification indicated by the general."

A certain Kim, an inhabitant in Tongnae District, Pusan, when he went to Seoul some time ago, told his colleagues, showing them a leaflet reading "Let us vigorously fight on, upholding the reunification program of General Kim Il-song!": the cause of reunification, the supreme national task, can be achieved only when the proposal for founding the Democratic Confederal Republic of Koryo advanced by the general is realized.

A worker surnamed Hwang residing in Songdong District, Seoul, said: The country will certainly be reunified in accordance with the proposal put forward by General Kim Il-song, the peerless patriot and national hero.

We workers must unite and redouble our strength and fight to overthrow the yankees and fascism and realise the proposal for founding the DCRK.

Professor Kim of Seoul University told his students when he attended their meeting some time ago:

The only way of removing the misfortunes of our nation lies in carrying into effect the reunification proposal advanced by General Kim Il-song, holding him in high esteem as the lodestar of reunification. The patriotic people should courageously turn out in the struggle to found the Democratic Confederal Republic of Koryo, closely rallied around General Kim Il-song, for national reunification.

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LSWYK DEMANDS RELEASE OF PUSAN ARSONISTS

SK170506 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0449 GMT 17 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 17 Mar (KCNA)--The South Korean puppets must acquit those involved in the arson at the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan and all other illegally detained patriots, youth and students and step down from power without delay as demanded by the South Korean youth, students and people.

The Central Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth in Korea in a statement issued on Marcy 16 in connection with the harsh penalties passed by the South Korean military fascist clique at the instigation of U.S. imperialism upon those involved in the arson at the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan.

The statement said: The arson at the "American Cultural Centre" by Mun Pu-sik, Kim Hyon-chang and other patriotic youth and students was an explosion of the pent-up grievances and resentments against the U.S. imperialists who enforced the colonial rule in South Korea for a long time. This was also an eruption of wrath against and hatred for the U.S. imperialist aggressors, the ringleader of murderers, who ordered a "crackdown by an iron fist" upon the heroic Kwangju uprisers insultingly calling them "mob," and drove the Chon Tu-hwan clique to an unheard-of brutal massacre.

As voices denouncing the penalisation of those involved in the arson at the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan rose high at home and abroad, the fascist clique on March 15 staged the farce of "commuting" the death sentence passed upon Kim Hyon-chang and Mun Pu-sik to life imprisonment, and they are now making much ado to make it appear as if it were "lenience" and "humanitarian step."

This is, indeed, a shameless trick.

The "commutation" is nothing but a drama for misleading public opinion at home and abroad.

Though the U.S. imperialists and Chon Tu-hwan clique may penalize a few patriotic youth and students who set fire to the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan, they can never stifle their patriotic desire to live a worthy life in an independent, new world free from aggressors and quislings.

The South Korean youth, students and people will certainly overthrow the colonial military fascist rule of the U.S. imperialists and their stooges, holding still higher the banner of anti-U.S. struggle for independence which they have already upheld.

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PUSAN ARSONISTS' RELEASE--Tokyo, 17 Mar (KNS-KCNA)--Kim Chae-hwa, chairman of the Japan headquarters of the "National Congress for the Restoration of Democracy in South Korea and the Promotion of Unification ("Hanmintong"), on March 15 issued a talk in connection with the "commutation" to life imprisonment of the death sentence passed upon Kim Hyon-chang and Mun Pu-sik involved in the arson at the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan, which was announced by the Chon Tu-hwan fascist clique on March 15 in an attempt to allay the people's protest and denunciation. Noting that the action of those involved in the arson was a warning to the United States' wrong policy toward South Korea and a just patriotic struggle dealing a siedge-hammer blow at the United States which involved itself in the Kwangju massacre, he stressed: The trial against them was illegal and, therefore, all of them should be released unconditionally and immediately. He branded the deceptive "commutation" farce staged by the Chon Tu-hwan fascist clique as an insult to the patriots and an unpardonable criminal act flouting people. Kim Chae-hwa strongly held that the puppet clique must step down from "power" at once in accordance with the will of the people. [Text] [SK190510 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0333 GMT 19 Mar 83]

CPRF DEMANDS ARSONISTS' RELEASE--Pyongyang, 19 Mar (KCNA)--The Chon Tu-hwan puppet clique must desist from treacherous acts, revoke all the unjust penalties inflicted upon those involved in the arson at the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan and unconditionally release all of them. The secretariat of the Committee for the Peaceful Reunification of the Fatherland (CPRF) stressed this in its information No 245 issued on March 18 denouncing the Chon Tu-hwan military fascist clique for inflicting heavy prison terms recently upon those involved in the arson at the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan under the manipulation of the U.S. imperialists. Recognizing the penalisation of those involved in the arson as the heinous traitors' reckless suppression of patriotic people in South Korea aspiring after independence, democracy and unification, the information bitterly denounced it. The flames of the struggle of the South Korean youth, students and people against U.S. imperialism and for independence will rise more fiercely against the suppression, and the colonial fascist rule of the U.S. imperialists and their stooges certainly collapse, [as received] noted the information. [Text] [SK190446 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0409 GMT 19 Mar 83]

SUPPRESSION IN PUSAN--Pyongyang, 19 Mar (KCNA)--The Chon Tu-hwan military fascist clique launched a "wholesale roundup" in Pusan area and arrested more than 1,180 inhabitants and referred them to "summary trial" for penalisation from the night of March 15 to the early morning of the next day, according to a report. The fascist clique kicked up this repressive row by driving out over 3,690 police

to 790 places which it set as "dangerous places." This clique also started suppression on the streets in the daytime of March 15, checking a large number of vehicles and interrogating more than 1,250 inhabitants. This is part of brutal repression committed by the fascist clique fearful of the outbreak of a shocking anti-U.S. struggle for independence again on the lapse of one year since the arson at the "American Cultural Centre" in Pusan. [Text] [SK190827 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0820 GMT 19 Mar 83]

CONCENTRATION CAMP--Pyongyang, 19 Mar (KCNA)--The Chon Tu-hwan puppet clique threw into concentration camps more than 1,710 people last year by invoking the fascist "public security law," according to a report. The "public security law" is one of the fascist laws invented by traitor Chon Tu-hwan to intensify the suppression of the people after grabbing the puppet regime. This evil law provides for keeping broad strata of recalcitrant people at the bottom of the social scale in the concentration camps. Under this law a large number of guiltless people are deprived of freedom in South Korea separated from society. [Text] [SK191533 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1515 GMT 19 Mar 83]

SOUTH'S STUDENT ARRESTS--Pyongyang, 23 Mar (KCNA)--The South Korean puppet clique recently arrested more than 40 patriotic students including those of Seoul University, according to a report of SINHAN MINBO, an overseas Koreans' newspaper published in the United States. The military fascist clique are scheming to penalize them as a "free action group." The newspaper notes that the "wholesale roundup of students by the South Korean fascist clique was a step to forestall students' demonstrations expected to break out again from March." The paper draws attention to the fact that the puppet clique are staging one murderous trial after another to impose prison terms upon patriotic students whom they have arrested and brutally persecuted on the charge of involvement in the anti-U.S. struggle for independence and the anti-fascist struggle for democracy of students last year. [Text] [SK231020 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1009 GMT 23 Mar 83]

CIVILIAN DEFENSE EXERCISE--Pyongyang, 19 Mar (KCNA)--The South Korean puppet clique staged one more frantic war exercise called "city defense training" with the mobilisation of the "homeland defence reserve forces" and "civilian defence corps" in Taejon and around Taedok County, South Chungchong Province, on March 17 as part of the provocative "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises according to a report. The fascist clique dragged around all day long civilians who were mobilized in this war exercise, crying about the fictitious "threat of southward invasion." In the night, too, it incited a war fever, sounding an air-raid siren and forcing inhabitants to take shelter. On the same day an army unit, the main force of the puppet army participating in the current joint military exercise staged a large-scale attack exercise in the central eastern sector of the front. It staged a frantic storming operation under the name of "counterattacking" someone, flying planes from early morning. [Text] [SK191049 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1037 GMT 19 Mar 83]

S. KOREAN TRUCKS SABOTAGED--Residents in various places are denouncing and opposing the criminal South Korea-U.S. team spirit '83 joint military exercises. Leaflets reading in English "We oppose the military exercises!" were scattered at the quayside of the U.S. transport ship "Cygnet," which entered Pusan port on 6 March carrying special equipment and vehicles of the U.S. forces to be mobilized in the

Team Spirit '83 training. Citizens and students, who were forced to attend a government-patronized event held on the afternoon of 9 March in Chunchon to welcome the aggressor forces of the U.S. 25th Division that were participating in the Team Spirit '83 joint military exercises, tore the stars and stripes, denouncing and condemning the U.S. soldiers who were marching the streets with full equipment. That day, many stars and stripes, either torn to pieces or burned by cigarettes, were scattered in the roadside together with the Taeguk flag after the parade of the U.S. troops. On 13 March, the mobilization of a certain division of the South Korean army was delayed due to the breakdown of many military trucks. A source revealed that this incident was caused by the acts of those who oppose the war exercises. [Text] [SK200039 (Clandestine) Voice of the Revolutionary Party for Reunification in Korean to South Korea 1000 GMT 17 Mar 83]

DEFENSE TRAINING EVADERS--Pyongyang, 21 Mar (KCNA)--The South Korean puppet supreme public prosecutors office on March 16 instructed all the puppet prosecutors organs to start a "stringent roundup" of the "evaders of services in the reserve forces," according to a report. It threatens people, declaring that it would carry out "search for detention" and "tracing search" against the people opposing "reserve force" training. Meanwhile, the puppet Defence Ministry set the period from April 1 to May 31 as "a period of report for self-surrender" and is crying that those who evaded draft into the "homeland defence reserve forces" or failed to respond to their callup for its service or military training should "voluntarily report" in this period, threatening those who refuse "self-surrender" with prison terms or fines up to 1 million won. This reveals an aspect of the sorry sight of the puppets who feel uneasy about the boycott of training in the "homeland defence reserve forces." [Text] [SK211021 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1013 GMT 21 Mar 83]

MORE STUDENTS SENTENCED--Pyongyang, 21 Mar (KCNA)--The South Korean fascist clique staged a trial at the south branch of the puppet Seoul district court on March 19 and passed prison terms on Kim Tae-kwang and five other students of Seoul University on charges of involvement in an anti-"government" struggle, according to a report. The fascist clique charged them with the agitation of a demonstration through the scattering of over 1,000 copies of anti-"government" leaflets on the campus in October and November last year. [Text] [SK210458 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0359 GMT 21 Mar 83]

YOUTH ACTIVITY--Pyongyang, 16 Mar (KCNA)--The South Korean military fascist clique held a "round table conversation on policy on youth and children" on March 11 and decided to promote the "formation" of a "permanent organ" in charge of the "youth and children's problem," according to a report. It was also reportedly decided to "readjust and unify laws" on the "youth and children's problem." It is only too clear why the fascist clique is kicking up a row, bringing forward the "youth and children's problem" as soon as the new school year began. The anti-U.S., anti-government sentiments are now mounting high among the South Korean school youth and children and there is every sign of the new flareup of their struggle, occasioned by the beginning of the new school year. Fearful of this, the Chon Tu-hwan military fascist clique invented a new trick to prevent their action. [Text] [SK161536 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1509 GMT 16 Mar 83]

STUDENT PRISON TERMS--Pyongyang, 20 Mar (KCNA)--The South Korean puppet clique held a fascist trial at the puppet Taegu District Court some time ago and passed prison terms upon Kim Chan-su and two other students of Kyongpuk University who had waged an anti-"government" struggle, according to a report. These students reportedly waged a struggle together with their fellow students, scattering 500 copies of anti-"government" leaflets calling for the overthrow of puppet Chon Tu-hwan, the fascist butcher and traitor, in the library of the university. The puppet clique recently staged a trial at the puppet Seoul District Court, too, and passed prison terms upon patriotic students of Koryo University, Yonse University, Nihwa Women's University and Songgyungwan University who had participated in an anti-"government" struggle. [Text] [SK200917 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0832 GMT 20 Mar 83]

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DAILY DESCRIBES RULING PARTY'S ROLE

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[Editorial: "Mission of Ruling Party"]

[Text] Political stability, based on national harmony, is particularly imperative for the nation. It is necessary to create our visualized future amidst the ever-present challenges typical to us--especially, the territorial division with the communists in the northern half who are determined to communize the entire peninsula. Here lie the ideals and modus of our politics.

The past 2 years have seen our political environment reshaped from what it used to be in the constant vortex of dissipating bickering and extreme confrontation for self-serving reasons. The ruling Democratic Justice Party can be credited with having spearheaded the creation of a new milieu as the standard bearer of the fifth republic upon its outset.

Yesterday's biennial convention of the party bore many-faceted significance. If the initial 2 years were a period of helping the nation disassociate itself from the past political chaos, the years to come should be a period of achieving tangible results on such groundwork.

The party's objective was well epitomized by President Chon Tu-hwan who appealed to the DJP members to address their efforts and wisdom to developing the cause of "creative politics." In the words of President Chon, who also heads the DJP, the proposed creation of "an advanced homeland" can be realized only with "advanced politics." This, in turn, is attainable, he said, only through "politics for the people."

To this end, as the president, put it, the ruling party should under no circumstances take an attitude of reigning over the people with a sense of privilege. Instead, party members should be armed with the sense of mission to serve the people. This, therefore, must be put before individual sakes. In this respect, the party did well to have its ranking members register their personal property. This, we hope, will result in discontinuing the past concept that being an influencial politician was the means to individual prestige and accumulation of wealth by power peddling.

The party's stance to assume an "entire responsibility" for the outcome of the ruling camp's undertakings deserves applause. This indicates that it does not rest with a position of making itself a mere machinery for election campaigns. This is meant for the party to best reflect the popular view into formulating the government policies. The past 2 years have seen the administration not without trials and errors in its policy execution. Mindful of this, we are inclined to render attentive ear to party Chairman Rep Chin I-chong. Upon his inauguration last week, he said that the party will keep sufficient consulations with the cabinet so as to head off "unrealistic or disruptive policies."

The ruling party, in this vein, needs to further develop its potential capable of producing ideas. At the same time, it needs to be more subtle in putting into motion good policies through broader channels of dialogue with rival parties. But this should in no way be taken as allowing the party to deviate from its original ideals with which it set sails 2 years ago.

The DJP is called upon to continuously look far into the future of our country. It should do its best to muster our national energy to meet the goal by generating spontaneous national consensus. All efforts must be aimed at turning the present state of the Korean Peninsula, a potential tinderbox, into a "storehouse of peace," leading to the peaceful unification of the divided peninsula.

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S.KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

DAILY APPRAISES 29 MAR DJP'S NATIONAL CONVENTION

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[By Yi Chong-ku]

[Text] From a political point of view, the national convention of the ruling Democratic Justice Party (DJP) yesterday was somewhat lackluster, because it dispensed with the process of electing a new party president.

The party constitution empowers President Chon Tu-hwan to head the DJP during the rest of his 7-year presidential term which ends in 1988.

The DJP celebrated the biennial convention as an occasion to renew its resolve to play a pivotal role in creating an advanced nation, advancing politics and achieving national unification.

The ruling party claimed it is capable of accomplishing the three goals on the strength of what it has achieved in the past 2 years.

Noting a new political modus operandi marked by openness and dialogue has begun to take hold, the DJP took credit for the present political stability.

Moreover, it alleged it has established a tradition of a political party's financial self-reliance while contributing to changing the people's attitudes and values.

Some of the boasts are reasonable. It is true that the DJP has brought about political stability in the relatively short period of 2 years and has set a new pattern in party operation.

The DJP in some respects is unlike the previous ruling parties.

First, it showed it has considerable influence over the government as manifested in last year's postponement of the introduction of the real name system for financial transactions.

Second, it has relied to a large extent upon the membership dues to become financially self-sufficient.

Just as President Chon pointed out in his address to the convention, however, the DJP should realize that although its achievements may be many things have been left half-done or even undone, political observers said.

The observers said the DJP is required to upgrade the quality of political stability.

Political stability based on the opposition parties' implicit agreement or understanding is fragile, and true political stability comes only when rival parties succeed in reflecting the people's opinions faithfully, they stressed.

The DJP has adopted democracy as one of its five founding ideals, and true democracy is possible only when the party ensures democracy in it, they said.

Many political watchers said there is still much to be desired in the DJP's intra-party democratic process.

Former DJP Chairman Yi Chae-hyong underscored the need for intraparty democracy on many occasion, implying something was wrong with the process.

Many DJP lawmakers complained they are not allowed to take part in the decision-making of the majority party.

By and large, many major decisions are made by a handful of senior officers and referred to official meetings for perfunctory approval.

Professing to be a policy-oriented party, the DJP has endeavored to produce alternative policies, many of which were unattended to by the government.

Political analysts, however, pointed out that it is wrong for the DJP to excel the government in formulating policies.

Instead of working out as many policies as possible, it should try to coordinate government policies, determining priority to them, they said.

As the general elections are less than 2 years away, opposition parties are most likely to launch stiff offensives toward the ruling DJP.

Political observers said the DJP should exercise political capabilities in coping with the forthcoming offensives from opposition parties.

Rival parties agreed last December to conclude deliberation on the opposition-proposed amendments to the National Assembly law and the local autonomy law by the end of next month and June respectively.

Saying the time has come to discuss ways to revitalize parliamentary policits, political watchers said the DJP cannot afford to turn a deaf ear to the opposition demand continuously, because advanced politics does not mean quiet politics.

Up to now, the DJP has devoted a great part of its energy to revamping and strengthening its organization.

However, the DJP should redouble its efforts to take root among the people by attending to their wants more effectively, political observers said.

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S.KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

DJP TO INSTITUTE PANEL AS OPERATIONAL 'CENTERPIECE'

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[Text] Seoul, 23 March (YONHAP)--The ruling Democratic Justice Party will institute a standing panel within its central executive committee as a centerpiece of party operations, a party source said Wednesday.

Explaining a draft amendment to the party constitution, the source said that the proposed standing panel will consist of the five key party post holders and five central executive committee members.

The panel, a revised version of the conference of party post holders, will be empowered to deal with routine and emergency party business and tasks assigned by the central executive committee.

The party policy research institute will be renamed the National Policy Research Institute which will demote itself to formulating new medium and long-term policy measures, analyzing internal and external situations and further developing major party planks.

Currently, the chief planks of the party platform are nationalism, democracy, justice, welfare, national unification, but the party charter amendment calls for the creation of an "advanced homeland" as a new party plank.

In order to step up the policy-formulating function, the policy coordination office, which is under the wing of the secretariat, will be brought under the control of the policy deliberation committee, and the number of committee vice chairmen will be augumented from the current five to 10.

Once the revised party constitution is approved by the national convention, scheduled for 28 March, the authority to convene caucus of party lawmakers will be transferred from the party chairman to the floor leader and the responsibility for the management of party funds from the financial committee to the secretary general, the source said.

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BRIEFS

GOVERNMENT FOR NON-COOPERATION--The first opposition Democratic Korea Party (DKP) charged the government and the ruling Democratic Justice Party (DJP) yesterday with having disregarded the national assembly by rejecting its demand for the appearance of Deputy Premier and Economic Planning Minister Kim Chun-song in the meeting of the commerce-industry committee Tuesday. In a statement, party spokesman Rep Mok Yo-sang said it was a deep regret that the party had failed to question the government oil price policy as a result of what it termed lack of cooperation by the government and the DJP. The DKP reiterated its objection to the government decision aimed at diverting money to be accrued from OPEC price cuts to the oil stabilization fund in violation of the petroleum business law. Rep Kim Wan-tae, spokesman of the Korea National Party joined the DJP in assailing the government, arguing that the deputy premier should have appeared before the panel since the government oil price policy had a direct effect on the lives of the people. The Tuesday meeting of the commerce-industry committee was virtually aborted as the KDP refused to return to their seats unless the deputy premier appeared before the panel to give testimony on the government oil price policy. The government decided to effect only 30 percent of the OPEC price out margin in domestic oil prices and absorb the remaining 70 percent in taxes. [Text] [SK240101 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 24 Mar 83 p 1]

PARTY COOPERATION CALLED FOR--Chin Ie-chong, new chairman of the Democratic Justice Party (DJP), emphasized yesterday that the ruling and opposition parties should try to find many "common denominators" through negotiations for the performance of future politics. "However," he said, "our party cannot yield to unreasonable demands or assertions from the opposition camp because the DJP, which became the majority party through elections, must conduct the politics of responsibility." In an address at the ceremony marking his inauguration as the ruling party's chairman, Chin said the ruling party should "digest" public opinion as much as possible, but should not necessarily carry out politics designed to flatter the public. The ceremony was held at the party headquarters. The 62-year-old chairman, who succeeded Yi Chae-hyong, said he will try to promote "interparty democracy" by making decisions taking into account views of party members. He emphasized that party officers should cooperate in order to operate the party in a more efficient manner. "We have to remember that since the DJP is a big political party with one million members, the impact of even a trivial discord will be considerable." Meanwhile, the outgoing Chairman Yi said he found it "very difficult" to lead the ruling party in a "democratic way." He asked fellow party members "to further consolidate the democracy of the fifth republic to help hasten the construction of an advanced homeland." [Text] [SK240118 Seoul THE KOREA HERALD in English 24 Mar 83 p 1]

ASSEMBLY LAW REVISION--The opposition Democratic Korea Party (DKP) has reiterated its call for a revision to the National Assembly Law and decided to increase negotiations with the ruling Democratic Justice Party to have the law rewritten as soon as possible. The decision was made at a meeting of DKP leading officers yesterday which was presided over by floor leader Rep Im Ching-ki. The meeting urged the ruling DJP to resume deliberations on an amendment to the law proposed by the DKP which is now before the National Assembly. It also decided to study the possibility of working out a compromise version with the opposition Korea National Party (KNP), since amendment bills proposed by the two opposition parties do not show many differences. Last December, the floor leaders of the three major political parties agreed to wind up deliberations on the two amendment drafts awaiting parliamentary action by the end of next month. However, it is unlikely that either bill will be approved by the assembly, because rival parties lock horns over the rewriting of the law. Despite opposition calls for the revising of the law, the ruling Democratic Justice Party (DJP) alleges it is unnecessary to amend the law, because it does not have any flagrant defect. [Text] [SK250550 Seoul THE KOREA HERALD in English 25 Mar 83 p 1]

DEATH OF HANIL EMPLOYEE--The first opposition Democratic Korea Party (DKP) charged yesterday that the government officials concerned should assume responsibility for the death of Kim Kun-cho, a director of the Hanil Synthetic Fiber Industrial Co, which resulted from alleged assaults by a policeman of the national police headquarters recently. The party also called for a session of the National Assembly home affairs committee to interpellate the Home Ministry on the details of his death. Party leaders received a briefing on the results of the investigation on Kim's death from Rep Kim Mun-sok, chairman of the party's human rights protection committee and Rep Pak Kwan-yong, head of the party's probe team. In a report, Rep Pak said that his investigation squad found that Yi Mu-kol, a section chief of the Hanil Company, who had also been escorted to Pusan together with Kim Kun-cho, was tortured by the police while he was being interrogated on charges of obstructing a land bidding. Rep Pak alleged that two policemen had joined police Lieutenant Kim Man-hu, now under arrest, in torturing the late director at an inn in Pusan early last week. [Text] [SK300302 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 30 Mar 83 p 1]

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S.KOREA/ECONOMY

ROK ECONOMY SHOWS SIGNS OF RECOVERY

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[Text] Seoul, 31 March (YONHAP)--The South Korean economy has developed clear signs of recovery with investment and consumption rising markedly, although export growth is still sluggish, the economic planning board said Thursday.

In a report on monthly economic movements, the board said that industrial output in February rose by 16 percent and deliveries of goods by 16.8 percent over the same month last year, due largely to a favorable upturn in such industries as electronics, machinery, and automobiles.

Inventory growth fell from 4.3 percent in January to 3.5 percent in February, also indicating a rising consumer demand.

According to the board report, the composite business index, which shows overall economic movements, edged up by 0.1 percentage point to 1.3 last month, the index had been at a standstill since last October.

With the base year 1975 as 100, the leading business index, a barometer for the economic climate two to three months ahead, gained by 0.1 percentage points to 166.8 in February and the coinciding business index, which reflects the current economic conditions, advanced by 0.7 percentage points to 153.9.

Exports from 1 March through 25 March were tallied at U.S. $1.2 billion, up 4.1 percent over the same period last year, and the receipts of export letters of credit aggregated $1.5 billion, up 4.5 percent. These growth rates compare poorly with those registered last year.

Growing overseas demand stemming from the spillover effects of the international oil price cuts, however, will increase the country's commodity shipments overseas markedly in the months to come. The report predicted.

Footwear and textile exports to the U.S. market are already graining momentum, according to the report.

The nation registered a current account deficit of $394 million in February, bringing the January-February total to $747 million. Sluggish exports, increased imports of capital goods and decreased receipts from overseas construction were blamed for the current account deficits.

Reflecting rising domestic credits in both the government and private sectors, the increase rate of the total money supply inched up by 0.3 percentage points to 24.6 percent in March over February.

Construction area permits granted in February totaled 1.7 million square meters, up 57.9 percent over the same month last year, and machinery orders amounted to 340 billion won (444.4 million dollars), up 69.3 percent.

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S.KOREA/ECONOMY

MINISTRY TO ANNOUNCE READJUSTED DOMESTIC OIL PRICES

SK290230 Seoul YONHAP in English 0219 GMT 29 Mar 83

[Text] Seoul, 29 March (YONHAP)--The Korean Government, now busy analyzing the possible effects of the recent international crude oil price cuts on the national economy, is expected to announce the readjusted domestic oil prices next week, it was learned from the Energy-Resources Ministry Tuesday.

Ministry sources said there has been some delay in the analyses because the oil producing countries supplying crude oil to Korea have notified local oil importers of their crude price cuts retroactive to 1 February and 1 March.

Saudi Arabia, for example, which notified its Korean business partners--the state-run Korea Oil Corp and Honam Oil--of its crude price cut Monday, will lower the prices in two stages. The first, backdated to 1 February, will take the Arabian light price down to $30 from the benchmark price of $34 a barrel. In the second stage, the Saudi price comes down another dollar, effective 1 March, according to the sources.

Saudi Arabia currently meets more than half (51.3 percent) of Korea's crude oil demand, accounting for 459,000 barrels a day.

Presently, Korea imports crude oil from 10 countries on the contract basis. Eight of the 10, including Saudi Arabia, have already notified the country of their price cuts. Iran and Kuwait are the two countries which have yet to make notifications.

The government earlier expressed the intention of reflecting only 30 percent of the OPEC five-dollar-a-barrel benchmark price cut in domestic oil prices and use the remaining 70 percent to develop the domestic coal industry, energy facilities and credit exports.

Under such a basic domestic oil pricing guideline, the price of Naphtha is likely to be reduced by 4.6 percent from the current $42.70 to $39.00 per barrel and that of Bunker-C oil by 8.6 percent from the present $29.50 to $28.20.

The prices of other oil derivatives are to remain unchanged, according to the sources.

Indonesia, which supplies 8.4 percent of Korea's crude demand, notified its local partners of its attaka light price cut to $30.95 from $36.25 a barrel, retroactive to 23 February.

Mexico and Malaysia reduced their crude prices, backdated to 1 February, and Brunei to 28 January.

Ecuador declared it was lowering its crude price, effective the second quarter of this year, the sources added.

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S.KOREA/ECONOMY

ROK OFFICIAL ON IMPACT OF OIL PRICE REDUCTION

SK221340 Seoul YONHAP in English 1303 GMT 22 Mar 83

[Text] Seoul, 22 March (YONHAP)--The South Korean Government has decided to reflect 30 percent of the recent OPEC crude price cut in the local prices of oil derivatives, which will result in a reduction of four or five percent in the prices of such products, Energy and Resources Minister So Sang-chol said Tuesday.

In an appearance before the National Assembly commerce-industry committee, Son said the remaining 70 percent will be absorbed into government revenues to help finance such projects as coal stockpiling and electricity generation.

The minister explained that the decision has been made to maintain the international competitiveness of Korean industry at current levels and to cope with future fluctuations in the price of petroleum.

The organization of petroleum exporting countries decided 14 March to lower the OPEC crude price from 34 U.S. dollars a barrel to 29 dollars.

Of every $5 to be saved from a barrel of new petroleum import, so said, the government will absorb $2.05 to expand the petroleum fund and $1.45 in tariffs, with the remaining $1.5 to be reflected in the reduction of local oil derivative prices.

The minister said the petroleum fund will be used to readjust domestic prices of petroleum in case of market fluctuations, and to finance coal stockpiling and electricity generation, and to support the energy industry. At present, the government levies $1.25 per barrel of crude imports. So said with the increased tariff the fund is expected to total 200,000 million won or about $265 million this year.

So said the oil derivatives whose prices will be reduced on the local market will be confined to those for industrial use such as Naphtha and Bunker-C oil. The Naphtha price will be lowered from the current $29.50 to $28.20 a barrel and that of Bunker-C oil from $42.70 to $39. The price reductions will be effected in April after the newly-priced crude comes in, so said.

The minister said 5 percent customs duties will be levied on new petroleum imports, and the revenues thus accruing will be used to make up for fiscal deficits and to reduce the cost-push factor which may arise from future fluctuations in the OPEC crude price.

In South Korea, which relies entirely on imports to meet its demand for petroleum, the prices of oil derivatives are set by the government.

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S.KOREA/ECONOMY

CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY AIDED RISE IN '82 GNP

SK240634 Seoul YONHAP in English 0314 GMT 24 Mar 83

[Text] Seoul, 24 March (YONHAP)--The South Korean economy last year grew 5.4 percent in real terms due largely to the partial recovery of investments in construction and other fixed facilities, the Bank of Korea said Thursday.

According to a central bank tentative estimate, the gross national product (GNP), the value of the country's total output of goods and services both at home and abroad, reached 48.3 trillion won (63.6 billion U.S. dollars) last year at current market prices, up 13.8 percent over 1981.

At the 1975 constant prices, however, the GNP amounted to about 15.5 trillion won (20.4 billion dollars), registering an inflation-adjusted growth of 5.4 percent.

Accordingly, per capita GNP edged up by 71 dollars from $1,607 in 1981 to $1,678 last year.

Reflecting overall price stabilization, the GNP deflator rose by only 8.0 percent last year, compared with the 16.2 percent rise in the previous year.

The social overhead capital sector grew as much as 11.2 percent with markedly increased investments in construction and other fixed facilities. The construction business alone scored a whopping 20.7 percent rise last year.

Other services registered a 4.7 percent gain, compared with a negative 0.7 percent growth in 1981. The business performance of banking, insurance and real estate companies was the most notable last year, with their growth rate jumping from a negative 16.3 percent in 1981 to a positive 8.6 percent.

Thanks to increased cultivation of special crops and livestock, the agro-fisheries segment grew by 4.6 percent. The sluggish exports throughout last year, however, dropped the growth rate of the mining and manufacturing sector from 7.2 percent in 1981 to 3.7 percent last year.

Commodity exports last year rose only by 2.8 percent over the previous year and consumer expenditures inched up by 3.6 percent, reflecting insignificant rises in total demand, according to the bank report. The government originally envisioned a 6.0 percent rise in the GNP last year. The GNP growth, falling below the projection, last year was attributed to a poor rice production.

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OFFICIALS BANNED FROM WORK IN COMPANIES AFTER QUITTING

SK240255 Seoul YONHAP in English 0241 GMT 24 Mar 83

[Text] Seoul, 24 March (YONHAP)--Officials assigned to some 1,400 posts in the Korean Finance Ministry and the 107 other government agencies are prohibited from taking jobs in private enterprise after quiting their public jobs, government Administration Minister Pak Chan-kung reported Thursday to Prime Minister Kim Sang-hyop.

The Finance Ministry and other government agencies are subject to the conflict-of-interest regulation because of their necessarily close relationship with private enterprise, Minister Pak said in a meeting of the administration-side committee on public servant ethics chaired by the prime minister.

Public officials in the legislative administration agency and 56 other agencies are free to take jobs in any private company, Pak explained.

The committee meeting was the first since the implementation of the public servants ethics law this year.

Public servants in 63 government agencies and 102 related institutions are required a prior consultation before getting jobs in private business.

Pak also said that President Chon Tu-hwan officially reported 41 gifts he received from foreign dignitaries and that the prime minister office and 12 other agencies reported 41 and 179, respectively.

Pak went on to say that all but two of 644 ranking government officials had registered their properties with pertinent offices in line with the ethics code, which went into effect 1 January this year, and half of the 12 newly appointed officials subject to the law did so as of Wednesday.

Attending the committee meeting were Home Minister No Tae-u, Justice Minister Rae Myong-in, Finance Minister Kang Kyong-sik, Defense Minister Yun Song-min, Education Minister Yi Kyu-ho and President of the Seoul National University Kwon E-hyok.

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BRIEFS

DOMESTIC OIL PRICES REDUCED--Seoul, 23 March (YONHAP)--The South Korean Government will reduce domestic prices of Naphtha and Bunker-C oil by 4.6 and 8.6 percent to 28.2 and 39 U.S. dollars a barrel, respectively, beginning in early April, the Energy-Resources Ministry announced Wednesday. A ministry official said the scheduled oil price reduction aims at bolstering the international competitiveness of Korean enterprises and will not affect the prices of consumer oils, such as gasoline, kerosene and light oil. A barrel of Bunker-C oil is currently prices at 39.8 dollars in Japan, 29.8 dollars in Taiwan and 29 dollars in Singapore--well below the Korean level even at the new April rates, the official noted. The scheduled cut in the Naphtha price, however, is expected to be a major aid to the country's petrochemical product exports, because it will equal the Singaporean price of 28.20 dollars a barrel, which is much cheaper than the Japanese price of 38.3 dollars a barrel, the official added. [Text] [SK230313 Seoul YONHAP in English 0058 GMT 23 Mar 83]

OIL PRICE CUT--Seoul, 30 March (YONHAP)--Kuwait, now supplying South Korea with 50,000 barrels of crude oil daily, Tuesday notified its Korean business partner, the state-run Korea Oil Corp, of its crude price cut following the recent OPEC five-dollar-a-barrel benchmark price reduction. According to the notification, Kuwait will lower its crude pirce by $4 a barrel from the current $32.30 to $28.30 retroactive to 1 February and further reduce the price by another dollar to $27.30 effective 1 March. With the exception of Iran, all the 10 oil-producing countries supplying crude to South Korea have made notifications of their crude oil price cuts to their Korean business partners. [Text] [SK300102 Seoul YONHAP in English 0049 GMT 30 Mar 83]

PACIFIC HIGH SEAS MINING ZONE--South Korea plans to set up a 150,000-square kilometer mining zone on the high seas of the Pacific by the end of 1984 to explore mineral resources such as manganese, nickel and cobalt, it was announced Wednesday. Under a long-range plan jointly drawn up by the science-technology and energy-resources ministries, the government is to spend 30 million U.S. dollars on the exploratory activities needed to locate a suitable mining zone, the announcement said. South Korea, which has signed the international sea law treaty, plans to develop its own mining zone on the high seas of the Pacific by January 1985, when the treaty is to go into force, officials said. The plan provides for experimental mining from 1985 to 1989 at a cost of another 30 million dollars, with commercial operations scheduled to start in 1990. The plan envisages an investment totaling 640 million dollars for the procurement of ships and the construction of such facilities as a terminal and a refining furnace needed for commercial operations. [Text] [SK231015 Seoul YONHAP in English 0915 GMT 23 Mar 83]

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S.KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

CHON, MALAYSIAN KING COMMENT ON COUNTRIES' TIES

SK231213 Seoul YONHAP in English 1200 GMT 23 Mar 83

[Text] Seoul, 23 March (YONHAP)--President Chon Tu-hwan said Wednesday that the current visit to South Korea by Malaysian King Sultan Haji Ahmad Shah will mark "yet another milestone strengthening the ties of friendship happily existing between our two countries." In remarks at a dinner honoring the Malaysian leader who arrived here Tuesday on a 5-day state visit, Chon said, "It is a source of satisfaction that since my visit to your country (in 1981), our two countries have spared no effort to further deepen the exisitng ties of friendship."

"In particular, based on the 'look east policy' of Malaysia, our two countries have set an outstanding example of successful bilateral relations which demonstrate the boundless possibilities of cooperation in the years ahead." Chon said. "I firmly believe that on this basis, two countries can reinforce the peace and prosperity of Asia and thus further enhance the spirit of cooperation in the Pacific region."

In his reply, the Malaysian king said, "we are firmly convinced that our bilateral relations have reached a stage where they could only lead to greater interaction and collaboration between our two countries and peoples."

"We feel that Korean technology and expertise are best suited for the kind of economic development and diversification that we have in mind," the Malaysian king said. "The door is wide open for increased Korean participation in ventures that would benefit both sides."

"The remarkable progress which your country has achieved over a relatively short period of time is very much admired by my government and the people of Malaysia," the Sultan said.

"Our government has drawn up plans to encourage Malaysians both in the public and private sectors to learn development planning and techniques from their Korean counterparts and to benefit as much as possible from the Korean experience."

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S.KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

DAILY PREVIEWS UPCOMING ROK-U.S. SECURITY TALKS

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[Editorial: Korea-U.S. Security Talks]

[Text] The upcoming Korean-American talks on mutual security to be held in Washington in mid-April will carry special weight as the defense of the Western Pacific, especially northeast Asia, is increasingly open to the threat of Soviet military buildup and the political situation in and around the Korean Peninsula is anything but settled.

It was announced early this week that the 15th annual ROK-U.S. security consultative meeting will take place at Fort McNair in the American capital 14-15 April between the defense chiefs of the two governments. A preliminary to the plenary session, the military committee meeting will be held the previous day with chairmen of the joint chiefs of staff of the two countries attending.

As the level of Soviet offensive military strength has escalated in recent years in this part of the world, so has the consciousness and alertness of this republic and its chief ally, the United States, and also many of its free neighbors freshly awakened to the peril of communist expansionism.

Discussions at the security consultative meeting will focus on a reassessment of North Korea's military threat to the south, programs for modernizing ROK forces, American security assistance and the activities of the bilateral combined forces command. This year, the successful team spirit 83 exercises here provide a favorable background for bolstering the security cooperation between Seoul and Washington.

The joint commitment of the Republic of Korea and the United States to mutual security is based on their shared perception of mounting armed pressure from the Soviet Union in general and the military adventurism of the unpredictable North Korean war machine which is subject to prodding from its revolutionary masters further up north in particular.

The challenges we face together were aptly outlined by a series of latest reports presented to U.S. Congress by responsible Pentagon and State Department officials. Secretary Winberger warned of Pyongyang's likely southward thrust in the event that Moscow starts simultaneous attacks in Western Europe and

southwestern Asia. The global military strategies of Washington for the future are mapped out also are reinforced and geared to meet the changing and growing needs.

Thus, it is beyond dispute that Korea deserves a major share of American assistance in improving its self-reliant defense capability at a tremendous cost. Washington is in a position to help Seoul shoulder very heavy defense burdens that account for 6 percent of its gross national product.

This year the primary consideration at the consultative meeting will be the request for a drastic increase in U.S. credit for foreign military sales and easing up the terms of repayment to last a much longer period at a reduced interest rate. This is essential to alleviate the excessive burden on our limited solvency.

We look forward to reaping a tangible and concrete positive result on that point in the interest of our two staunch allies and of peace and security in northeast Asia and the Pacific. Such an accord will add significantly to the effectiveness of our deterrence against aggression

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BRIEFS

OPPOSITION TO RACIAL DISCRIMINATION--Seoul, 22 March (YONHAP)--South Korea reaffirmed its support for the eradication of "all forms of racial discrimination" in a message sent to the United Nations to mark the international day Monday for the elimination of racial discrimination. Calling racial discrimination a threat to international peace and order, Foreign Minister Yi Pom-sok praised the United Nations for its role in mobilizing world opinion to help terminate the "flagrant violation of human dignity." Yi said the Korean Government has carried out all provisions of the international convention for the elimination of all forms of racial discrimination since acceding to the pact in 1978. "Our determined support for the efforts of the United Nations has been also demonstrated through annual contributions to various funds for the Namibian people, who still remain oppressed under the racist regime of South Africa," he said. The minister added that the government promised the UN secretary-general 18 March to donate 20,000 U.S. dollars to the fund for Namibian people. [Text] [SK220112 Seoul YONHAP in English 0057 GMT 22 Mar 83]

SAUDI ARABIAN AIRLINES--Seoul, 23 March--The South Korean Transportation Ministry Wednesday authorized the Saudi Arabian Airlines (Saudia) to launch flight service linking Riyadh and Seoul three times a week beginning 2 April. Saudia will fly Boeing 747's on the Riyadh-Seoul route on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday, a ministry official said. Saudia is now the 11th foreign air line to provide flight service to Seoul. The Korean Air Lines (KAL) has been offering 11 flights a week on the Seoul-Jidda-Dhahran route since April, 1977. [Text] [SK240245 Seoul YONHAP in English 0149 GMT 23 Mar 83]

ROK-EGYPT ANTI-DOUBLE TAXATION ACCORD--Seoul, 23 March--Egypt and South Korea Wednesday initialed an agreement on the prevention of double taxation, officials at the Finance Ministry said. The signing of the pact followed a week-long meeting between Korean and Egyptian officials in Seoul. The agreement will go into force when the two governments exchange parliamentary ratification documents, the officials said. [Text] [SK240245 Seoul YONHAP in English 1209 GMT 23 Mar 83]

ROK-NEW ZEALAND RATIFICATION--Seoul, 23 March--South Korea and New Zealand exchanged Wednesday instruments of ratification on the convention for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with regard to income taxes, the Foreign Ministry said. Korean ambassador to New Zealand Nam Yong-hun and New Zealand Foreign Minister W. E. Cooper exchanged the documents in Weldington. The agreement was signed in Seoul in 1981. Officials

said that the pact, to be effective from 22 April, will help promote trade and personal exchanges between Korea and the oceanic country and speed up Korea's investment rate in New Zealand. [Text] [SK240245 Seoul YONHAP in English 0703 GMT 23 Mar 83]

OFFICIALS' OBSERVATION TOUR--Seoul, 21 March--The South Korean Government plans to send about 90 civil servants on observation tours of industrialized Western countries this year with a view to improving administrative standards at Korean Government agencies, officials at the Ministry of Government Administration said Monday. The officials, who hold positions ranging from director-general to a sub-division chief, will visit Japan, the United States or Western European countries for 30 to 90 days to observe government agencies, research institutions and other major installations, they said. They said the program will continue every year on a similar scale. [Text] [SK240245 Seoul YONHAP in English 0922 GMT 21 Mar 83]

COUNTER TRADE SEOUL, 22 March--The government plans to set up an Inter-Ministry Barter Trade Committee as an increasingly large number of countries are seeking barter trade with South Korea. A Commerce-Industry Ministry official said Tuesday that pressure for barter trade with Korea from many countries is mounting and the absence of a government agency dealing exclusively with such barter transactions hampers international trade. For example, the Philippines has recently agreed to import from five Korean firms 29 million U.S. dollars worth of Korean fertilizer. But the export letters of credit have not been approved, because the Philippines wants the Korean firms to import Philippine bananas in exchange for the Korean fertilizer, according to the official. Taiwan has also proposed to trade its bananas for Korean pears, and such Latin American countries as Ecuador, Mexico and Argentina have also expressed readiness to buy Korean-made fire engines, textile fabrics and steel products with their crude oil and canned beef. The number of countries proposing barter trade with Korea has surpassed 30, according to the official. The direct exchange of goods, technically called counter trade, has resulted from global recession and slumping commodity prices, and because of deteriorating terms of trade and severe shortage of foreign exchange, many primary-produce explorers in Asia and elsewhere are resorting to this trend back to barter forms, the official explained. [Text] [SK240245 Seoul YONHAP in English 0739 GMT 22 Mar 83]

ASIAN HANDBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS--Seoul, 24 March (YONHAP)--South Korea will host the third Asia handball championship 12-21 September in Chamsil stadium on the southern outskirts of Seoul, President Kim Chong-ha of the Korea Handball Association (KHA) said Thursday. The decision took place at an executive board meeting of the Asia Handball Federation (AHF) held Monday in Kuwait. Iraq was originally entitled to host the championship in 1981, but forfeited the right because of a war with Iran. Korea subsequently applied to become the new host at an AHF general assembly convened in New Delhi last December. Seoul stayed away from the 17-member AHF, which included China and North Korea. Kim said that he will try to make the Seoul championship concurrently serve as the preliminary Asian regional handball contest for the Los Angeles Olympic Games next year. [Text] [SK241345 Seoul YONHAP in English 0542 GMT 24 Mar 83]

OVERSEAS CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION HEAD--Seoul, 25 March--Former Finance Minister Yi Sung-yun was elected chairman of the Overseas Construction Association of Korea at a general meeting Friday. Yi will succeed Pak Tong-kyu whose term of office expires 31 March. A finance expert, Yi has held various positions, including professor, member of the monetary board and national assembly member, before he was appointed finance minister in 1980. Yi will serve as the association's chairman for the next 2 years. [SK280217 Seoul YONHAP in English 0726 GMT 25 Mar 83]

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S.KOREA/FOREIGN TRADE

'ROK' URGES EC TO EASE RESTRICTION ON KOREAN EXPORTS

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[Text] Korea and the European community (EC) discussed the easing of restrictions [on] the 10 EC member states imposed on Korean exports during their first high-level consultations yesterday.

Minister of Foreign Affairs Yi Pom-sok and Wilhelm Haferkamp, vice president of the EC commission, led their delegations to the meeting at the capitol.

The two sides reviewed prospects of the Korean and EC economies and the world economic situation and conferred on ways to promote bilateral economic cooperation, a Ministry of Foreign Affairs official said.

The Korean delegates, he said, requested the EC to lift some of the restrictions on Korea's textiles, steel products, footwear and canned mushrooms.

According to the official, they told the EC representatives that Korea, which spends six percent of its GNP for the defense of the free world, deserves better treatment from the EC than other newly industrialized countries.

They requested the EC to consider the unique security situation of the Republic of Korea in setting quotas on Korean exports, he said. The two sides also discussed the establishment of joint ventures abroad.

Saying that Korean-EC relations have been maintained through working-level talks, he emphasized that the regular high-level meeting will make it possible to exchange information between the two sides and to make "political" decisions on important issues.

The channel of dialogue was created with an understanding that both Korea and the EC are important economic units of the world, he said.

Haferkamp called on Deputy Prime Minister-Minister of Economic Planning Kim Chun-sony and Minister of Commerce and Industry Kim Tong-hwi before leaving Seoul in the evening.

The other EC delegates will meet with leading Korean business leaders and inspect industrial facilities. They will leave for Brussels Thursday.

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N. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

KIM CHONG-IL RECEIVES LETTERS FROM TREATISE SEMINARS

SK221017 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1007 GMT 22 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 22 Mar (KCNA)--Letters came to the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il from the group for the study of the chuche idea in Senegal, the Lahore, Pakistan, committee for the study of Kimilsongism, the group for the study of the chuche idea of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song of Malagasy students in Algeria and the group for the study of the chuche idea of Comrade Kim Il-song of workers of the People's Bookstore in Guyana that held seminars on his treatise "On the Chuche Idea."

The letter from the members of the group for the study of the chuche idea in Senegal says: Thanks to the energetic ideological and theoretical activities of Your Excellency Kim Chong-il, an outstanding thinker and theoretician, the idea of President Kim Il-song has been constantly developed and enriched and is throwing brighter rays as the unique and correct guideline in the building of a new society.

Korea shows to us through realities that the people's cause of chajusong (independence) can win a decisive victory and make a successful advance only under the outstanding leadership of the successor to the leader.

The complete victory of the cause of chajusong is reliably guaranteed by Your Excellency Kim Chong-il, the successor to the revolutionary cause started by President Kim Il-song. This promises a bright future not only to the Korean people but also to the world's progressive people.

The letters wholeheartedly wish the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il good health and a long life.

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KIM CHONG-IL RECEIVES LETTERS FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES

SK210435 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0341 GMT 21 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 21 Mar (KCNA)--The dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il received congratulatory messages and letters from foreign countries on his 41st birthday.

Messages and letters came from:

Shuhachi Inoue, deputy director general, and Mustafa Jaber, director, of the board of the International Institute of the Chuche Idea, the chief of the central Accra branch of the Ghanaian National Institute of the Chuche Idea, the editor of the editorial board for the publication of President Kim Il-song's works in Nepal, the chairman of the Central Committee of the Bangladesh Self-Reliance Research Academy, the chief of the group for the study of works of President Kim Il-song in Switzerland, the Standing Committee of the Japan Society for the Study of Kimilsongism, the chief of general staff of the Malagasy People's Army, the commander of the People's Army of the Syrian Arab Republic, the general secretary of the Communist Workers Party of the United States, the chairman of the Pakistan Solidarity Committee for the support of reunification of Korea, the chairman of the Venezuelan Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification, the chairman of the Bombay branch of the All India Indo-Korean Friendship Association, the general secretariat of the General Confederation of the Palestinian Workers, Takeji Watanabe, director of the KYODO News Service of Japan, the president of the Sanie Company of Iran, the president of the Joint Agro-Commercial Company of Thailand and organizations for the study of the chuche idea, organizations for solidarity with the Korean people and personages of political, public and press circles in various countries.

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N. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

KIM CHONG-IL GUIDES EXCURSIONS OF YOUTH

SK180021 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2249 GMT 17 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 17 Mar (KCNA)--More than 600,000 pupils of senior middle schools and primary schools throughout the country participated in the excursions along the course of the "one thousand ri long trip for learning" and the "one thousand ri long trip for restoration" during the past ten years to learn from the childhood of the respected leader Marshal Kim Il-song.

The "one thousand ri long trip for learning" was made by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song alone at the age of eleven from Padaogou to the homeland, upholding the precious instructions of Kim Hyong-chik, his father, that one had to know about Korea, if he was to liberate her.

The great leader who had cultivated his grand aspirations for the revolution, experiencing the miserable realities in the homeland, made the "one thousand ri long trip for restoration" from Mangyongdae in January 1925.

Through their excursions along the course of the trips, Korean youths and children are hardening their determination to carry to brilliant accomplishment the revolutionary cause of chuche started by the respected leader, learning from his glorious childhood and youth.

The dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il who attaches great importance to the education through revolutionary sites in rearing the younger generation into reliable heirs to the revolutionary cause of chuche initiated the excursions along the course of the "one thousand ri long trip for learning" and the "one thousand ri long trip for restoration" for the youth and children and has given an energetic guidance in this.

He saw to it that revolutionary museums and historic monuments were erected and historic sites were built up along the course of one thousand ri long trip from Popyong bearing immortal footprints of the great leader (where he crossed the River Amnok at the age of 13 in January 1925, firmly pledging himself to return home after achieving national liberation at any cost) to Mangyongdae and camps and public service establishments for the excursion teams were built at the historic sites.

And he guided all the excursion teams to make a one thousand ri long trip of revolution from Popyong to Pyongyang, and from Pyongyang to Popyong along the course of the trips made by the great leader and at corresponding dates.

The dear leader also took care that along with massive excursions of large groups, 70-member teams of excursions along the course of the "one thousand ri long trip for learning" and the "one thousand ri long trip for restoration" formed at separate schools leave Popyong or Pyongyang every day, with the result that the excursion teams flow along the course of the one thousand ri long trips of the revolution in an endless stream.

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N. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

KIM CHONG-IL RECEIVES LETTER FROM PAKISTAN

SK231556 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1525 GMT 23 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 23 Mar (KCNA)--A seminar on the revolutionary exploits of the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il was recently held at the Rawalpindi, Pakistan, youth committee for the study of Kimilsongism on the occasion of his birthday, according to a report.

A letter to the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il was adopted at the seminar.

The letter says: The feats performed by Your Excellency, the dear leader, for the nation will be everlasting in the history of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Your Excellency's feats in developing in depth the immortal chuche idea will be eternal as a symbol of victory and glory and will always illumine the road ahead of the courageous Korean people.

On this significant occasion we extend congratulations and warm thanks to Your Excellency for your efforts for the victory of the chuche idea all over the world.

Thanks to the wise leadership of His Excellency President Kim Il-song, the great leader, and Your Excellency's energetic efforts and struggle, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea has turned into a country, independent in politics and self-reliant in national defence, which can decisively repulse any aggression and foreign interference.

Your Excellency's revolutionary activities, struggle for revolution and construction, Your Excellency's efforts for the well-being of the people and feats performed in the struggle to embody the immortal chuche idea and the policies of Your Excellency for national reunification will be recorded in letters of gold in the history of the DPRK.

We highly praise the noble virtues of Your Excellency. We believe that bright is the future of Korea under the guidance of Your Excellency.

The letter sincerely wishes the dear wishes Comrade Kim Chong-il good health and a long life.

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FOREIGN PAPERS MARK KIM CHONG-IL BIRTHDAY

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[Text] Pyongyang, 23 Mar (KCNA)--Foreign mass media edited special write-ups in celebration of the birthday of the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il, according to reports.

Special write-ups were edited and articles published on that occasion by the Nepalese paper ASTITO, the Bangladesh paper BANGLAD BANI, the Nigerian paper DAILY TIMES and the paper of the Yemen Arab Republic AL SAURA.

Printed in the papers were portraits of the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il.

The Indian magazine INDO-KOREAN FRIENDSHIP carried an article dealing with the noble communist virtues of the dear leader under the title "Bosom of Boundless Love."

The Guyanese National Radio aired a congratulatory program on the subject "Korea's Future Is Bright" and Radio Satarosa of Peru a special program on the subject "Korea Is an Earthly Paradise, the Genius of Art Is in Korea."

Radio Satarosa said: Today the Korean people enjoy the great happiness of attending His Excellency Kim Chong-il, the sagacious leader, who is carrying to accomplishment through generations the revolutionary cause started by the great Marshal Kim Il-song, along with happiness of holding in high esteem as their leader the marshal who is deeply respected among the world people.

Korea is an earthly paradise beyond our imagination. More beautiful flowers will bloom in the future of Korea which is firmly assured of victory and glory by His Excellency Kim Chong-il, the sagacious leader.

Introducing the development of Korean culture and art, the radio stressed that it is a result of the outstanding leadership of sagacious His Excellency Kim Chong-il that Korea has turned into a land of art.

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SIERRA LEONE GROUP CELEBRATES KIM CHONG-IL BIRTHDAY

SK190500 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0404 GMT 19 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 19 Mar (KCNA)--A letter to the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il was adopted at a celebration arranged recently by the Sierra Leone-Korea Friendship Association in Freetown on the occasion of his 41st birthday, according to a report.

The letter says: Today Korea of chuche is throwing her brilliant rays all over the world because Your Excellency the dear leader who have most perfectly grasped the immortal chuche idea and are fully possessed of tested leadership and noble communist virtues are creditably carrying to accomplishment the revolutionary cause started by His Excellency Kim Il-song, the great president, by wisely leading the work of the party and state as a whole.

Thanks to Your Excellency's energetic ideological and theoretical activities the revolutionary idea of the great leader President Kim Il-song is being brilliantly carried forward and developed in Korea today and the treasure-house of Kimilsongism constantly enriched with many ideological and theoretical wealths.

This is an undying feat Your Excellency Kim Chong-il, the dear leader, has performed in the noble work of carrying forward and accomplishing the revolutionary cause of chuche started by His Excellency President Kim Il-song.

Indeed, the ideological and theoretical activities of Your Excellency Kim Chong-il, the dear leader, for carrying forward and developing great Kimilsongism are run through with unbounded loyalty to the respected leader President Kim Il-song, firm stand of chuche and complete unity of theory and practice.

The letter sincerely wishes the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il good health and a long life.

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KIM CHONG-IL RECEIVES LETTER FROM PAKISTANI GROUP

SK190825 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0812 GMT 19 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 19 Mar (KCNA)--The dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il received a letter from the attendants of a lecture organised by the Pakistan self-reliance research centre on the occasion of his 41st birthday.

The letter says: It is the greatest happiness and pride of the Korean people to hold in high esteem Your Excellency Kim Chong-il who have perfectly grasped the revolutionary idea of His Excellency President Kim Il-song, the great leader, and are fully possessed of his noble virtues and wisely leading the work in all realms of the revolution and construction as a successor to the revolutionary cause started by the great leader.

Your Excellency are a paragon of the Kimilsongists boundlessly faithful to the great leader President Kim Il-song, an outstanding thinker and theoretician fully grasping the revolutionary idea of the great leader and constantly developing and enriching it, a genius of revolution and construction possessed of chuche-oriented method of leadership and brilliantly embodying it and a tender-hearted teacher with the noblest personality as a leader.

Your Excellency Kim Chong-il, the dear leader, declared the Workers' Party of Korea the Kimilsongist Party taking Kimilsongism as its immovable guideline and saw to it that radical changes were effected in organisational and ideological work and all other work of the Workers' Party of Korea.

Your Excellency put forward a chuche-oriented theory on literature and art, a chuche-based theory on humanics and many theories on the seed and film art and have wisely directed the work to brilliantly translate them into practice.

As a result, the Korean art has become the best art in the world and the art of mankind has seen a new sunrise.

It is entirely thanks to the tested guidance of Your Excellency Kim Chong-il, the dear leader, that in Korea the socialist construction is constantly advancing in the spirit of chollima spurred on by the speed campaign and new miracles and innovations have been effected.

The Workers' Party of Korea and the Korean people have a firm guarantee for final victory of the cause of chuche by holding Your Excellency as a heir to the revolutionary cause of chuche started by the great leader President Kim Il-song.

The attendants have realized that thanks to the noble virtues of Your Excellency, the dear leader, who boundlessly love the people and are devoting all your energy to the happy life of the people, the Korean people are now leading an independent and creative life.

The attendants of the lecture shouted "Long live the dear leader!" at the top of their voice.

The letter sincerely wishes the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il good health and a long life.

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YIM CHUN-CHU AT RALLY ON ONE THOUSAND RI LONG TRIP

SK160525 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0400 GMT 16 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 16 Mar (KCNA)--A grand central meeting marking the 60th anniversary of the "one thousand ri long trip for learning" made personally by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song was held at the February 8 House of Culture on the afternoon of March 15.

Placed on the platform of the meeting hall was a portrait of the great leader of our party and our people Comrade Kim Il-song.

Present there were Comrade Yim Chun-chu, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and secretary of the Central People's Committee; Comrade So Yun-sok, member of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee and chief secretary of the Pyongyang Municipal Committee of the WPK; Comrade Yun Ki-pok, alternate member of the Political Bureau, and secretary, of the WPK Central Committee; Comrade Chong Chun-ki, alternate member of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee and vice-premier of the Administration Council; Kim Si-hak, Choe Tae-pok and other personages concerned; anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters and school youth and children and functionaries of the League of Socialist Working Youth in Pyongyang.

Yi Yong-su, chairman of the Central Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth, made a report.

The "one thousand ri long trip for learning" which the great leader made from Badaogou to Mangyongdae, leaving imperishable footprints at the age of 11, 60 years ago, was a glorious road bringing the dawn of new history to our people and a brilliant path directly linked with the road of the proud struggle for the accomplishment of the revolutionary cause of chuche, he stressed.

The reporter said: Possessed of extraordinary wisdom from his childhood, the great leader nursed a far-reaching plan to clear the country of the Japanese imperialists and save the country and the nation, his heart aflame with an ardent love for the fatherland and people.

At the age of 11, he started the one thousand li long trip from Badaogou to the homeland, resolved to experience the reality of the homeland and study our written and spoken language, history and geography.

Studying at the Changdok School, while living at the native home in Mangyongdae and his mother's old home in Chilgol after returning home, the great leader acquired an advanced idea and revolutionary traits, grasped wide-range knowledge, clearly witnessed the dark realities of the homeland and hardened a firm determination to defeat the Japanese imperialist aggressors and liberate the country at all costs.

The "one thousand ri long trip for learning" was indeed a glorious road which could be made only by the great leader, the sun of the nation and legendary hero, who acquired staunch revolutionary traits, undergoing all sorts of sufferings with his parents from his childhood and ripened a far-reaching plan for the future of the country and revolution, upholding the lofty idea of "chiwon" (aim high) of his father Kim Hyong-chik.

After having experienced the dark reality of the homeland and nursed the lofty idea of revolution the great leader left Mangyongdae again in January 1925 to make a "one thousand ri long trip for restoration," the reporter noted.

Noting that the "one thousand ri long trip for learning" made by the great leader was a road directly linked with the glorious path along which he defeated the vicious Japanese imperialists, liberated the country and ushered in a new era of national prosperity and development in this land, the reporter stressed: This road made our revolution unswervingly advance toward shining victory and glory.

Today the "one thousand ri long trip for learning" is of weighty importance in educating our people, school youth and children to carry forward to accomplishment the revolutionary cause of chuche started by the great leader under the wise leadership of the glorious party centre, the reported noted, and said:

Under the energetic guidance of our party which initiated the excursion march along the course of "one thousand ri long trip for learning" and tirelessly directed this work. The movement for learning from the glorious childhood and youth of the great leader has been constantly developed on to a high stage among all members of the rising generation of our country. In this course they are stoutly growing up as reliable successors to the revolutionary cause of chuche.

Referring to the "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises, the largest ever in history, being staged by the U.S. imperialists and the Chon Tu-hwan fascist clique, the reporter stressed: In hearty response to the order of the respected comrade supreme commander all the school youth and children will keep themselves in full combat readiness and smash the U.S. imperialists at one stroke if they dare launch a war of aggression against our republic.

In conclusion the reporter wholeheartedly wished the great leader of our party and our people Comrade Kim Il-song good health and a long life for the final victory of the revolutionary cause of chuche and for the eternal prosperity of the country and the happiness of the generations to come.

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THREE-REVOLUTION TEAM MOVEMENT PRAISED

SK180434 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0412 GMT 18 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 18 Mar (KCNA)--NODONG SINMUN March 17 dedicated an article to the tenth anniversary of the publication of "Let Us More Vigorously Accelerate the Ideological, Technical and Cultural Revolutions," a historic work of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, on March 14, 1973.

The article titled "Three-Revolution Team Movement Displays Great Vitality Under the Party's Leadership" says: This work is a programmatic document which brought about an epochal turn in developing in depth the three-revolution team movement.

In the work the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song explained the correctness of the measure taken by our party to dispatch three-revolution teams to industrial and agricultural domains and clarified concrete tasks and ways for more energetically carrying on the three-revolution team movement to actively push ahead with the three revolutions, ideological, technical and cultural.

This movement is a powerful revolutionary method of guidance which our party initiated, reflecting the demand of the new historic period of modeling the whole of society on the chuche idea and is directing.

Our party initiated the three-revolution team movement to meet the new demand of our revolution which entered a new, higher stage of its development in the 1970s and dispatched to various domains of the national economy three-revolution teams formed with party nuclei and young intellectuals who were well prepared politically and practically.

This was an event which occasioned a new turn in carrying on the three revolutions.

The three-revolution team movement is a most superior revolutionary method of guidance for powerfully accelerating the three revolutions, ideological, technical and cultural, whereby the political and ideological guidance is properly combined with the scientific and technical guidance, superiors effectively help subordinates and the political enthusiasm and creativity of broad masses are actively mobilized.

Our party brilliantly solved the problem of guidance to the work for carrying out the three revolutions by initiating the three-revolution team movement, a powerful revolutionary guidance method of new type. This is one more great feat performed by our party in leading the revolution and construction.

Noting that the proud successes achieved in carrying on the three revolutions over the last 10 years are patent proof of the correctness and great vitality of our party's policy of launching the three-revolution team movement, the article says: As a result of the vigorous progress of this movement under the leadership of our party, the struggle for the three revolutions has become more organised and active and wonderful miracles and innovations have been achieved on all fronts of socialist construction.

The three revolutions, ideological, technical and cultural, have been energetically accelerated through the three-revolution team movement, with the result that our state and social system has been further consolidated and developed, the level of the country's economy and sciences and technology as a whole further raised and a solid foundation laid for freeing the working people from difficult and arduous labor.

It is another great success of the three-revolution team movement that the functionaries, guiding personnel of the revolution, are more fully displaying the sense of responsibility and enhancing their role still further and veteran cadres are creditably discharging the heavy mission they assume for the party and the revolution.

A large number of young intellectuals embraced in the three-revolution teams have grown up to be reliable vanguards of the revolution steeled in the practical struggle. This is another precious fruition of the three-revolution team movement.

All the victories and successes achieved through this movement powerfully demonstrate the sagacity and invincible vitality of the leadership of our party which is working epochal miracles in the revolution and construction with its experienced leadership.

In order to carry out successfully the three revolutions, the general line of socialist and communist construction, the three-revolution team movement whose superiority and vitality have been fully displayed already in practice should be waged continuously and persistently, stresses the article.

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SPEECH OF COSTA RICAN CHUCHE INSTITUTE OFFICIAL

SK171152 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1015 GMT 17 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 17 Mar (KCNA)--Jose Francisco Aguilar Bulgarelli, chairman of the Latin American Institute of the Chuche Idea, delivered a report titled "'On the Chuche Idea,' a Treatise of the Dear Leader Comrade Kim Chong-il, Is a Historic Document Systematizing and Developing in Depth Chuche Philosophy" at the Costa Rican National Seminar on the Chuche Idea, according to a report.

He said: As everyone knows, the chuche philosophy is a unique one founded by respected President Kim Il-song. By founding it he established a man-centered world outlook which is entirely new in the fundamental problem and contents of philosophy, in its object and mission. This certainly means a radical turn in the development of human philosophical idea.

The founding of the chuche philosophy made it possible to establish a scientific and revolutionary world outlook expounding a most correct view, attitude and stand on the world and provided a powerful [illegible]logical and theoretical weapon firmly guaranteeing success in the activit[illegible] understanding and transforming the world.

For this imperishable feat President Kim Il-song enjoys unimpaired, absolute ideological and theoretical prestige and boundless respect among all the progressive thinkers and theoreticians and people.

His chuche philosophy has been developed in depth in a comprehensive way by the energetic ideological and theoretical activities of His Excellency Kim Chong-il, the outstanding guide.

In his classic document "On the Chuche Idea," he gave an all-round answer to important theoretical problems arising in understanding the chuche philosophy and scientifically systematized it, thereby enriching the treasure-house of [illegible].

The document gives a comprehensive explanation of all problems from the problem of the origin of the chuche idea to the principles of the chuche idea and tasks to embody it. This is why the document serves as a fine textbook in studying the chuche idea and a guideline in disseminating it.

The document elucidates above all that the chuche idea is a great guiding idea which was founded as a reflection of the demand and desire of the new historical era.

The greatness and truth of idea and theory depend on to what extent they reflect the demand of the era and the developing revolution.

The chuche idea is a great guiding idea of the revolution in our era because it came into being on the basis of the demand of the era when the popular masses advocating chajusong (independence) emerged as the master of history and the rich experiences of the revolutionary struggle.

The document also clarifies the most scientific and revolutionary philosophical principle of the chuche idea.

The chuche idea raised the position and role of man in the world as a new fundamental problem of philosophy and answered the question, who is the master of the world.

The chuche idea gave a new exposition of the essential characteristics of man, viewing him in his social relations. It was clarified by the chuche idea that man is a social being with chajusong, creativity and consciousness. This gave a perfect philosophical explanation of man.

On the basis of a scientific exposition of man in society, the chuche idea explained the philosophical principle that man is the master of everything and decides everything. This is a philosophical discovery which brought about a new change in the world outlook.

The immortal chuche idea gave a new elucidation of the bedrock of the world outlook by originally formulating the principle of domination of the world, its transformation and development by man, the highest product of the development of the material world.

The world outlook based on the philosophical principle of chuche is a man-centered world outlook.

There were various world outlooks in history but none of them clarified the attitude and stand on the world with man in the centre.

By regarding man not merely as a part of the world but its master, the chuche idea established a new world outlook approaching the world and its change and development with the greatest importance attached to man, the master of this world, which is different from the former ones.

Particularly in this document His Excellency Kim Chong-il, the dear leader, evolved new socio-historical principles.

The socio-historical principles that the subject of history is the popular masses, the socio-historical movement is their independent and creative movement and that their independent ideological consciousness plays a decisive role in the revolutionary struggle are the main content of the chuche outlook on history. This is a new explanation of the essence, character and motive power of the socio-historical movement, the movement of the subject.

The document also elucidates most correct guiding principles to be adhered to in the revolution and construction.

The chuche idea clarified that the independent stand must be maintained, the creative method be applied and main stress be placed on ideology in the revolution and construction.

The chuche idea fathered by President Kim Il-song and developed and enriched by His Excellency Kim Chong-il is an undying banner of struggle for the popular masses in creating a new world and hewing out their destiny, a banner of victory in the struggle.

We should make new advance in explaining and disseminating the chuche idea by deeply studying and grasping the idea and theory of His Excellency Kim Chong-il, the dear leader, in close combination with the idea and theory of respected President Kim Il-song, and widely explaining and propagating them.

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BULGARIAN OFFICIAL MEETS 'MINJU CHOSON' DELEGATION

SK2 00926 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0841 GMT 20 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 20 Mar (KCNA)--Grisha Filipov, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Bulgarian Communist Party and chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Bulgarian People's Republic, on March 16 met the delegation of MINJU CHOSON headed by its editor-in-chief Chae Chun-pyong on a visit to his country, according to a report.

He wholeheartedly wished the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song good health and a long life.

He congratulated the Korean people on their brilliant successes in the efforts for implementing the decisions of the Sixth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea under the wise leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song. And he noted that the relations of friendship and cooperation between Bulgaria and Korea were growing stronger and developing with each passing day.

He sharply denounced the U.S. imperialists, the Japanese militarists and the South Korean puppet clique for aggravating the tension on the Korean Peninsula and resorting to new war provocation manoeuvres and expressed full support to the Korean people's struggle for the independent reunification of the country.

The talk proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

Present there were the editor-in-chief on the Bulgarian paper OTETCHESTVEN FRONT [illegible] Chargé d'affaires ad interim of the DPRK Embassy in Bulgaria.

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'NODONG SINMUN' HAILS PAKISTAN DAY

SK231056 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1040 GMT 23 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 23 Mar (KCNA)--NODONG SINMUN today dedicates an article to the Pakistan day, the national holiday of the Pakistani people.

On this day, the article says, the Korean people extend fervent congratulations to the friendly Pakistani people.

The author of the article further says: The Pakistani people achieved the independence of the country through a protracted struggle. The country's independence opened up a bright road for the Pakistani people to realize their long-cherished desire to carve out their destinies by their own efforts, holding them in their hands.

Today the Pakistani people under the leadership of President Mohammad Ziaul Haq are striving to develop the national economy and national culture along the road chosen by them, defend the sovereignty of the country and build a new, prospering Pakistan.

The peoples of Korea and Pakistan have forged the bonds of friendship and are closely supporting and cooperating with each other in the struggle for independence, sovereignty and the building of a new life.

In October last year President Mohammad Ziaul Haq paid a visit to our country at the invitation of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song. This was an epochal event which strengthened and developed the friendly and cooperative relations between the two peoples onto a new height.

The friendly and cooperative relations expanding and developing between the two peoples with each passing day contribute to the cause of the peoples of this region to achieve national prosperity and build an independent, new Asia free from foreign domination and interference.

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'NODONG SINMUN' CITED ON STRENGTHENING KWP

SK191[illegible] Pyongyang KCNA in English 1022 GMT 19 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 19 Mar (KCNA)--NODONG SINMUN Friday devoted one whole page to an editorial article headlined "The Workers' Party of Korea Is a Chuche-Type Revolutionary Party Which Was Built and Is Active With the Chuche Idea As Its Guiding Principle."

In its treatise "The Workers' Party of Korea Is a Chuche-Type Revolutionary Party Which Inherited the Glorious Tradition of the DIU" (the down-with-imperialist unions), Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the Presidium of the Political bureau, and secretary, of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, lucidly defined that the first and foremost criterion of the chuche-type party lies in conducting revolutionary activities independently and creatively with the chuche idea as its guiding compass, says the article.

In the first part the article says: The Workers' Party of Korea is a revolutionary party of chuche type because it carries out its revolutionary activities independently and creatively, guided by the chuche idea.

Comrade Kim Chong-il, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau, and secretary, of the party Central Committee, pointed out: "Ours is a chuche-type revolutionary party which is guided by the juche idea and carries out its revolutionary activities independently and creatively in keeping with the interests of our people and the realities in our country."

The proposition contained in the treatise is a new formulation of the fundamental features of our party as a chuche-type party.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song led our party to be built and carry on its activities strictly on the basis of the chuche idea and thereby brilliantly realized the cause of building an independent and creative revolutionary party.

The features of our party as a party which was built and is active with the chuche idea as its guiding compass find expression above all in mapping out all its lines and policies in accordance with its own judgment and faith.

Our party always goes down deep among the masses to work out lines and policies reflecting their desires. Not wedded to any established practice or proposition, it [illegible] raises a problem and establishes a policy when this is required by our revolutionary practice.

The features of our party as a party which was built and is active with the chuche idea as its guideline also lie in carrying through all lines and policies by its own efforts relying on its own creativity.

Our party thoroughly embodies the mass line in its activities and when difficult and complicated problems arise in the revolution and construction it solves them in such a way as to give fuller play to the inexhaustible strength and wisdom of the masses.

Today the Workers' Party of Korea enjoys high prestige as a reliable vanguard of the world working class as it is guided by the chuche idea and is carrying on its activities independently and creatively.

By conducting activities and waging struggle with the chuche idea, a thoroughly independent idea, as its guiding principle, our party is not only brilliantly paving the road ahead of the Korean revolution but also powerfully pushing ahead with the onward movement of our era.

In the second part the article says: The whole historical course along which our party has strengthened and developed into a revolutionary party of chuche type is a proud road of struggle for thoroughly establishing chuche in the party building and activity.

All the struggles of our party for establishing chuche were linked as one with the revolutionary activities of the respected leader Comrade Kim Il-song. Already in the first period of his revolutionary activities he had a grand plan to build a new-type revolutionary party in a unique way. It is a striking testimony to his greatness and extraordinary character that in his early years he founded the guiding idea of a chuche-type party, determinedly parted with the established theory and experience and the old method and carved out a unique way of building a new-type party. It is indeed a greatest exploit performed by him in our party construction that he built our party and has strengthened and developed it along the road of chuche.

The wise guidance of the respected leader Comrade Kim Il-song in leading the struggle for establishing chuche to victory finds expression above all in [illegible] the ideological system of chuche in the party.

[illegible] the historic roots of our party, he has firmly [illegible] the work of establishing the ideological system of chuche in the [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] in leading the struggle for establishing chuche to victory [illegible] that [illegible] struggle was [illegible] against all [illegible] counterrevolutionary ideological trends.

Basing himself on a wealth of experiences he had accumulated in energetically organising and building a new party after decidedly bidding farewell to the old generation contaminated by flunkeyism in the period of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, the respected leader wisely led the struggle against flunkeyism and dogmatism which appeared within our party in each period of the revolution in its development.

All the flunkeyists and dogmatists in our country were without exception anti-party factionists.

Under such condition the respected leader saw to it that the spearhead of the anti-flunkeyist struggle was directed first of all against the factionalists, thereby completely overcoming factional flunkeyism which had existed through a historical period.

After surmounting factional flunkeyism our party perfected its features as an independent and creative party by continuously waging a powerful struggle to establish chuche as the revolution and construction developed in depth.

The energetic struggle and wise guidance of the respected leader Comrade Kim Il-sung for establishing chuche brought about a great change in our party building and the revolutionary struggle.

It is an immensely precious success achieved in the struggle for establishing chuche that a radical change has taken place in the ideological life of the party membership and working people. As they freed themselves from the fetters of flunkeyism and dogmatism which had corroded the consciousness of national independence for a long time, our people came to give full play to their revolutionary confidence and the spirit of self-reliance.

The struggle for establishing chuche has cemented our party's unity and cohesion into an unbreakable one. As flunkeyism, dogmatism, factionalism and all other alien ideological trends were thoroughly overcome and the whole party is filled with the chuche idea, our party has turned into an indestructible one united in idea and purpose.

In the third part the article says: Our party is further deepening the struggle [illegible] in all aspects of party building and activities under the [illegible] the whole party on the chuche idea.

[illegible] the whole party with the chuche idea is our party's strategic task.

[illegible] is being vigorously promoted under the leadership of the [illegible], our party came to throw its rays as a glorious party of [illegible] today but also in the future, too.

[illegible] party with the chuche idea is a demand of very high level, [illegible] with difficult and complicated struggle. This noble [illegible] complished with [illegible] by a great guide with [illegible] intelligence and tested leadership.

The glorious party centre is standing in the van of our party which is accelerating the cause of imbuing the whole party with the chuche idea.

It is our party centre's unshakable determination and will to strengthen and develop the Workers' Party of Korea founded by the respected leader Comrade Kim Il-song forever into a revolutionary party of chuche type which acts independently and creatively. This is why our party raised it as a fundamental problem of the party building to imbue the whole party with the chuche idea and is energetically pushing ahead with it, thoroughly subordinating everything to this work.

A radical turn is taking place in the building of our party thanks to the party centre's correct policy and wise leadership for imbuing the whole party with the chuche idea.

Today our party is vigorously leading the cause of modeling the whole of society on the chuche idea, with distinct features as a revolutionary party of chuche type. To maintain chajusong (independence) and creativity without the slightest vacillation no matter what wind may blow from anywhere and carve out the future of communism with firm confidence and vigor, this is the proud appearance of our party.

Retrospecting the great changes effected in our party's building, our party members and people feel with warmth in their hearts the extraordinary intelligent and tested leadership of the party centre and its masterly organisational ability.

Our people firmly believe that as long as there is the leadership of the party centre they will be able to strengthen and develop our party forever into the revolutionary party of chuche type and carry to accomplishment the revolutionary cause of chuche started by the respected leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

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[illegible] GROUPS CONGRATULATIONS--Pyongyang, 22 Mar (KCNA)--Congratulatory messages and letters came to the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il from different countries [illegible] 1st birthday. Among the addressers are: the chief of the group for the [illegible] the great chuche idea of Comrade Kim Il-song of Latin American students [illegible], the employees of the "Kim Il-song Library" in Somalia and the readers, [illegible] Ishikawa, vice-president of the International Liaison Committee for the Independent and Peaceful Reunification of Korea, the Yamaguchi Prefectural [illegible] Council for supporting the Independent and Peaceful Reunification of Korea, the chairman of the Denmark-DPRK Friendship Association, the chairman of the [illegible]-Korea Friendship Association, the chairman of the parliamentary group for Senegal-Korea friendship, the chairman of the Fukuoka prefectural headquarters of the Japan Socialist Party, K. Rafael, law official of the [illegible] and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations, the general director [illegible] Universal Postal Union, the president of the Micro-biological Institute [illegible] University, the director of the technical department of the Belgian [illegible], the president of the Malaysian TEKCHUN Insam Import and [illegible] corporation and chuche idea study organisations, organisations for [illegible] with the Korean people and political and public figures and men of the press in different countries. [Text] [SK220445 Pyongyang KCNA in English [illegible] Mar 83]

[illegible] 'TANJUG' INTERVIEW--Pyongyang, 18 Mar (KCNA)--Mass media of socialist [illegible] recently reported answers of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to [illegible] raised by the Yugoslav news agency TANJUG, according to reports. A [illegible] television, [illegible] a portrait of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, reported his answers. The Bulgarian papers RABOTNICHESKO DELO, [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] and Bulgarian radio also reported his answers. The [illegible] of the great leader was reported by the Soviet paper KRASNAYE ZNAMYA, [illegible] paper [illegible], the GDR papers NEUES DEUTSCHLAND, [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible], the Cuban paper [illegible], [illegible] radio, [illegible] and the Mongolian news agency MONTSAME and [illegible] [illegible] Pyongyang KCNA in English 0346 [illegible] 18 Mar 83]

[illegible] SEMINAR--Pyongyang, 17 Mar (KCNA)--A resolution was adopted [illegible] national seminar on the chuche idea, according to a report. [illegible] and disseminating the chuche idea of universal significance [illegible] a basic policy in our people's struggle for freedom and [illegible] [illegible] carried out with a high degree of creativity [illegible]

[illegible] To embody the chuche idea means to constantly transform the reality of the country, placing the popular masses, the subject in shaping the nation's destiny, in the centre and proceeding from the historical roots of our people's struggle. To strengthen solidarity with the cause of realising the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea through the founding of the Democratic Confederal Republic of Koryo means to widen and deepen the horizon of our solidarity. Imperialism ambitious for expansion, usurpation and domination is No 1 common enemy of all people who are constantly struggling for chajusong (independence) in all parts of the world. We congratulate the Korean people. We extend our most fraternal and warmest greetings to President Kim Il-sung, the great founder of the chuche idea. We also extend solidarity to His Excellency Kim Chong-il, the sagacious leader. [Text] [SK171128 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1001 GMT 17 Mar 83]

KIM CHONG-IL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION--Pyongyang, 18 Mar (KCNA)--Celebrations were recently held in various countries on the birthday of the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il, according to reports. A meeting was held in Kyoto Prefecture, Japan, to hear a report on Korean visit on the 41st birthday of the dear leader secretary Kim Chong-il. Akira Horie, editorial writer of KYOTO SHIMBUN who had visited our country, delivered a report at the meeting. The meeting was followed by another meeting marking the first anniversary of the publication of "On the Chuche Idea," a treatise of the dear leader secretary Kim Chong-il. A lecture was given on the subject "On the problem of inheritance of the leader's cause in Korea" and reports were made on the study of "On the Chuche Idea." A Korean film show and photo exhibition were arranged at the Entebbe army unit of Uganda and a Korean film show at the Music and Drama University in Khartoum, the Sudan. Addressing the film show, a general of the Entebbe army unit of Uganda, said: February 16 is the birthday of the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il. He is a great man brilliantly carrying forward the revolutionary cause of the respected leader Comrade Kim Il-sung. We should deeply study the revolutionary history of the dear leader. [Text] [SK18[illegible]57 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0802 GMT 18 Mar 83]

[illegible] --Pyongyang, 18 Mar (KCNA)--The great leader Comrade Kim Il-sung, president of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, [illegible] on March 18 to Hernan Siles Zuazo, president [illegible] on the occasion of his 7 th birthday. The [illegible] Excellency's [illegible] birthday I extend [illegible] you health and happiness. The Korean [illegible] great [illegible] in the work for the [illegible] under your leadership. [illegible] that [illegible] will [illegible] develop [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Comrade Kim Chong-il, which says: You, dear leader, unfolded a great program of the new era of Juche to accomplish the cause of making the whole world independent, upholding the revolutionary cause of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-sung. You are, indeed, not only sagacious leader of the entire Korean people but also the teacher of all of us. The Korean people have become the proudest and happiest people in the world, as they have the great leader and enjoy the tested leadership of you, dear leader. Korea owes all her achievements and great changes to the wise leadership of the great leader and the tested guidance of you, dear leader. All the followers of the Juche idea in Turkey will as ever deepen their study of the immortal Juche idea teaching the truth of revolution and further expand our ranks. The letter wholeheartedly wishes the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il good health and a long life. [Text] [SK240811 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0344 GMT 23 Mar 83]

[illegible] OFFICIAL VISITS--Pyongyang, 24 Mar (KCNA)--Guinean Prime Minister [illegible] on March [illegible] led at the Kim Il-song Agricultural Science Institute in Guinea, according to a report. He was accompanied by the Governor and [illegible] of Kindia Province and DPRK ambassador to Guinea Son [illegible]. The prime minister inspected the main building of the institute and other buildings under construction, experimental plots, a maize-thresher and other farming implements manufactured by it and seeds for experiments which had been harvested. Korean scientists, he said, reaped a rich harvest in maize farming and were harvesting a rich yield in rice cultivation, too, under very unfavorable climatic conditions such as lack of water. This is a fruition of their tireless fighting spirit and energetic researches. It is very miraculous and precious, he said, that the Korean comrades are registering wonderful successes in agricultural [illegible] research in different parts of Guinea. He emphasized that the great Korean President Kim Il-song and Guinean President Ahmed Sekou Toure would be very satisfied at the successes made by Korean scientists. [Text] [SK240811 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0801 GMT 24 Mar 83]

[illegible] DELEGATE VISITS--Pyongyang, 24 Mar (KCNA)--Foreign diplomatic envoys [illegible] on March [illegible] inspected the Pochonbo revolutionary site in the [illegible] the 45th anniversary of the formation of the Korean National [illegible] organized and led by Kim Hyong-jik, an indomitable revolutionary fighter and an outstanding leader of the anti-Japanese national liberation [illegible] in our country. Hearing explanations about the revolutionary activities of Kim Hyong-jik who dedicated his whole life to the struggle for the independence [illegible] and the freedom and liberation of the people, they visited with [illegible] interest the Mangyongdae School, the room in Mt. Pongchwa, [illegible], the revolutionary sites, and the Pochonbo revolutionary museum. [illegible] Hungarian ambassador to the Sudan said: We have learned well [illegible] Kim Hyong-jik and the patriots of Korea fought for the [illegible] country. Availing ourselves of this opportunity, he said, [illegible] unity and support for the strategy of the Korean people [illegible] Kim Il-song for socialist construction and the reunification [illegible] the programmatic proposals [illegible] Koryo-Minjokjok [illegible] Kim Hyong-jik, flexible [illegible] [illegible] Mar 83]

NICARAGUAN DELEGATION VISITS--Pyongyang, 16 Mar (KCNA)--A party and government delegation of the Republic of Nicaragua headed by Comrade Daniel Ortega Saavedra, member of the national leadership of the Sandinist National Liberation Front of Nicaragua and coordinator of the Council of the Government of National Reconstruction of the Republic of Nicaragua, will shortly pay a state visit to our country at the invitation of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. [Text] [SK160622 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2242 GMT 15 Mar 83]

COMMEMORATIVE STAMP--Pyongyang, 3 Mar--The Korean postal stamp office issued a stamp on the 165th birth anniversary of Karl Marx, the founder of the scientific doctrine of communism and teacher of the world working class, and on the centenary of his death. Printed in the color stamp bearing his portrait are letters "165th birth anniversary of Karl Marx and centenary of his death" and "Karl Marx, 1818-1883." [Text] [SK140530 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0831 GMT (no date given)]

BULGARIAN PRESS CONFERENCE--Pyongyang, 11 Mar--A press conference was held on March 10 at the Bulgarian Embassy in Pyongyang upon the opening of the spring and autumn Plobdivy International Fair for 1983 in Bulgaria. The press conference was attended by newspaper, news agency and radio reporters in Pyongyang. Ambassador Vassil Shubenev and officials of the Bulgarian Embassy in Pyongyang were also present. The press conference was addressed by Natcho Natchev, economic and commercial counsellor of the Bulgarian Embassy. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0341 GMT 11 Mar 83 SK]

[illegible] DELEGATIONS--Pyongyang, 13 Mar--A delegation of the education commission of our country headed by its vice-chairman Han Ki-hwan and a delegation of the Academy of Sciences of our country headed by its Vice-President Sin Mun-kyu left here yesterday respectively for the Soviet Union and for the Bulgarian People's Republic and the German Democratic Republic. Meanwhile, the 104th [illegible] group of Koreans in Japan headed by Yi Yong-kuk, chairman of the [illegible] of the Santama Korean No 1 Primary and Middle School, left here on a visit to the socialist homeland and the delegation of the [illegible] for the study of Kimilsongism headed by its permanent member [illegible] left here yesterday. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0844 GMT [illegible]]

N. KOREA MILITARY AFFAIRS

DAILY SAYS TEAM SPIRIT AIMS AT INVASION

SK[illegible] Pyongyang KCNA in English 1049 GMT 23 Mar 83

[illegible] Pyongyang, 23 Mar (KCNA)--The "Team Spirit 83" war exercises started by the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppet clique have reached a grave stage as they went over to a full-dress operational rehearsal from March 1[illegible]. They frantically staged a large-scale river-crossing operation exercise, "massive air strike exercise," "attack exercise" and "landing operation."

NODONG SINMUN today in a commentary printed in this connection says: "The large-scale attack operation exercises held in the last few days proves that the U.S. imperialists, together with the South Korean puppets, try to mount (as received) a surprise attack on the northern half of the republic from the sky, ground and sea. This shows the provocative nature of their joint military exercises with increasing clarity.

The author of the commentary further says: "What is all the more serious is the fact that nuclear warships and planes mobilized in the war exercises are carrying nuclear weapons.

[illegible] that the U.S. imperialists would not stop short of provoking a nuclear war in Korea.

[illegible], the current "Team Spirit 83" military exercises are not a [illegible] military exercises [illegible] an escalation of [illegible] premeditated "test war" for unleashing another war [illegible].

[illegible] attack exercises to invade the north and leading [illegible] the brink of war, the U.S. imperialist aggressors clamour about "[illegible]".

[illegible] stop this.

The U.S. imperialists' attempt to subdue someone by "strength" is an adventuristic delusion. They must look straight at the trend of the times and act with discretion, give up the new war provocation maneuvres against our republic and go back to their den, taking along aggression forces brought into South Korea and its vicinity.

Should the U.S. imperialist aggressors start a war of aggression in Korea, our people's army and entire people will crush the enemy to the last one.

N. KOREA MILITARY AFFAIRS

'NODONG SINMUN' DENOUNCES SR-71 FLIGHT, TEAM SPIRIT

SK190[illegible] Pyongyang KCNA in English 0417 GMT 19 Mar 83

[illegible] Pyongyang, 19 Mar (KCNA)--The U.S. imperialist aggressors on March 16 sent "SR-71" spy plane and fighter planes deep into the airspace east of Kosong on the east coast of our country and into the air within our military boundary for espionage purpose and military provocations. Commenting on this NODONG SINMUN today brands this as a premeditated and deliberate act for bringing the situation in our country to the extreme pitch of strain and inventing a pretext to invade the northern half of our republic.

The author of the commentary entitled "Military Provocations Aimed at Northward Invasion" says: The "Team Spirit 83" war exercises in South Korea have reached the climax. They went over to a full-dress three-dimensional attack exercise [illegible].

[illegible] and its vicinity are enveloped in powder smoke.

It is [illegible] to everyone that military provocations in which they intrude into the other's territorial waters and airspace while running mad in the war gamble with the introduction of huge armed forces of aggression under the [illegible] "exercises" may cause an armed conflict and develop to a total war.

The [illegible] imperialists are trying to provoke a war of aggression and [illegible] our [illegible] "strength." It is thanks to our desire for peace and nation's that [illegible] on the Korean Peninsula does not [illegible] to an armed conflict.

[illegible] know that our people value peace, but are never afraid of war. [illegible] and officers and men of the people's [illegible] are keenly watching [illegible] war provocation moves of the U.S. imperialist aggressors and the [illegible] puppet clique and keeping themselves in full combat readiness to [illegible] enemy's war provocation. It is an anachronistic [illegible] [illegible] our republic by "strength."

[illegible] imperialist aggressors and the South Korean puppet clique must act with [illegible] at the trend of the times.

N. KOREA/MILITARY AFFAIRS

JAPANESE ROLE IN TEAM SPIRIT CRITICIZED

SK231108 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1055 GMT 23 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 23 Mar (KCNA)--Anti-submarine patrol planes starting from a base in South Korea are frequenting the Nagasaki airport of Japan via an air raft carrier on the East Sea to be refueled, according to a report.

Besides, many warships participating in the military exercises in the South Korean waters are calling at Japanese ports. Most of the combat units and means of war of the U.S. imperialists participating in the "Team Spirit 83" war exercises were shipped into South Korea directly from Japan or via bases in Japan.

In this connection NODONG SINMUN today in a commentary says: This proves that in the current war exercises Japan is an important operational, relay and supply [illegible].

The author of the commentary says: Today it is nobody's secret that the Japanese forces are involved in the "Team Spirit 83" war exercises.

With the approach of the exercises, the U.S. and Japanese ground, naval and air forces staged a joint military exercise and it was reported that a "joint front" of the U.S. and Japanese armies and the South Korean puppet army would be formed in the future on the Korean Peninsula.

It was also announced some time ago that U.S. imperialists' "F-16" fighter-bombers to be deployed in Japan and South Korea-based "F-16" planes would shortly conduct a joint operational rehearsal. The naval "self-defence force" of Japan held a [illegible] off Nakazu, Oita Prefecture of Kyushu, [illegible] Korea, [illegible] blocking the strait. The U.S. imperialists and the Japanese [illegible] are hatching a plot to draw the Japanese "self-defence forces" into [illegible] to crush it in Korea.

All [illegible] imperialists, Japanese reactionaries and [illegible] are [illegible] fused with each other in all realms, [illegible], and are entering a new phase to take joint [illegible] with the joint operational plan. This, in fact, [illegible].

Burning with a wild ambition for overseas expansion, the Japanese militarists are working overtime to form the tripartite military alliance and frenziedly stepping up arms building to realise their reinvasion of South Korea, backed by U.S. imperialism and ushered in by Chon Tu-hwan the puppet, and realise the old dream of "greater east Asia coprosperity sphere."

The Japanese reactionaries had better bear in mind what a serious defeat they sustained in the past along the road of overseas aggression.

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N. KOREA/ECONOMY

'NODONG SINMUN' EXTOLS SUCCESS IN AGRICULTURAL POLICY

Pyongyang NODONG SINMUN in Korean 23 Dec 82 p 2

[Commentary by NODONG SINMUN reporters Hong Pyong-su and Kim Chin-o: "Song of Bountiful Harvest"]

[Text] The foodstuff problem is the lifeline of any country or any people. As the Great Leader has taught, there is nothing in a society's material life as urgent as the problem of feeding its people. Whatever may be true for other things, there is no compromising with hunger.

A country must have sufficient in food in order to resolve the people's eating problem as well as to defend the nation's independence and establish the country's right to speak. Food must be sufficient in order to insure the country's strength.

People without rice are like an empty gourd. There is no country in the world today that does not concern itself with the agricultural problem. However, there are not many peoples in the world who sing of boutiful harvests.

[illegible] harvest is the tower of success in agriculture. Only successful agriculture can pile high the sheaves of a bountiful harvest every year.

Our country is the most successful country in the world today in resolving the agricultural problem and it is the country that shakes heaven and earth with beating of the drums of bountiful harvests every year.

[illegible] minister of one country, having visited our country's rural [illegible], stated that Korea is the country that has created the world model for [illegible] agricultural problem and the foodstuffs problem, and said the [illegible]

[illegible] the symbol of bountiful harvests in today's world. Under [illegible] the Great Leader, President Kim Il-song, Korea achieves [illegible] harvest every year in spite of its limited area of tillable land and its unfavorable geographic and natural conditions. Korea's agricultur[illegible] reaching the most advanced worldwide levels."

The level our country's agriculture has reached is proudly inscribed amidst such praise of our agriculture and our bountiful harvests.

Today we boast of our agriculture and sing of the shining tower of success built by our agriculture.

Thy joy of autumn is the joy of a bountiful harvest. In past and present people have striven to work the land and farm for the joy of autumn's bountiful harvests. However, there is no people who experience the joy of autumn every year as our people do.

The Great Leader Comrade Kim Il-song has taught as follows.

"Many countries in the world are now experiencing food shortages due to the influence of prolonged cold. However, our country has long been self-sufficient in foodstuffs, and it achieves great bountiful harvests every year."

This year, as well, our people have gathered an unprecedented bountiful harvest. Everywhere there is the joy of bountiful harvests and everybody boasts of the bountiful harvests.

The fields of the western coast and the eastern coast are good and the fields of the interior hilly region are good. Plains or mountains, everywhere the harvest is bountiful.

When speaking of bountiful harvests, we think first of the plains of the western coast. But this year's bountiful harvest is not limited to the western plains.

When the western plains harvested a maximum of 14 or 15 tons of rice per chongbo, the Paektu Plateau answered with a maximum of 40 tons of potatoes per chongbo.

The feature of this year's agriculture is that it has been a good year everywhere throughout the country.

When one province called for producing hundreds of thousands more tons of food grain crops in a year, and one county called for a food grain crop increase of tens of thousands of tons, one cooperative farm responded with a food grain crop production of 10,000 tons, 15,000 tons or more. It is the boast of this year's agriculture that one farm gathered as much food grain in a year as one county used to produce, that one county's production was as great as what one province used to produce.

[illegible] what was the joy and the jubilation of the distribution sites?

The workers of the Ch'onghwa Cooperative Farm in Yonan County received an average distribution of over 220 bags of food grains per family. [illegible] workers of Farm No. [illegible] received an average of over 260 bags of food grains and a roll of [illegible] cloth, whereupon they danced, saying where is such pride and such bountiful harvest.

[illegible] constitute a great harvest achieved under the worst climatic conditions.

There is nothing so surprising about making a good harvest under normal climatic conditions. The agriculture that unfailingly achieves great bounty under unusual climatic conditions as well as under a normal condition is the true agriculture of bountiful harvests.

This year's agricultural climatic conditions were much more unfavorable than even 1919, known in our country's history as the "year of famine." Over 60 years ago drought brought a great failure of crops that took over 600,000 lives in our country. However, this year's drought continued much longer than the one of that year.

Under such climatic conditions, where even the ground dried and cracked, it was difficult to believe that you were seeing green fields in summer and golden stacks of grain stalks in autumn.

In fact, the agriculture of South Korea, connected to us by land, failed again this year. They were unable even to transplant rice in many paddies and even those paddies where they were barely able to transplant it dried up in the drought so that there were some peasants who burned their fields and killed themselves.

Our country's great harvest this year, which, under climatic conditions bad enough to destroy crops 10 times over, piled high the stalks of grain of a bountiful harvest, such as rarely seen in history; a great bounty which cannot be expressed in words other than as a miracle.

In the great harvest of this year which has engraved another shining chapter in the contemporary history of our agriculture we again see the strength of our agriculture and the certainty of our bountiful harvests.

The strength of agriculture lies in overcoming the vagaries of nature and always [illegible] good harvests, and the certainty of bountiful harvests lies in the [illegible] power of [illegible].

Our agriculture is the most complete, encyclopediac chuche agricultural method, with powerful material and technical means able to overcome any climatic conditions; and our bountiful harvests are guaranteed by this great power of our agriculture and by the infinite creative power of our people who are bound like [illegible] (Kwa).

[illegible]

struggle with a severe nature. In this struggle which continued along with human history, man has been powerless before nature and thus has long regarded the power of nature as invincible. Even now, when science and technology have developed to high degrees and men boast of industrialization, such a perception of nature remains firm in the minds of the people of many of the world's countries.

Today's agriculture is the struggle with the prolonged cold. Due to the effects of the cold front which swept over the globe in the 1970's to change in one instant the world's climatic zones and plant life, the problem of the struggle with nature arises more seriously in today's agriculture than ever before.

Thus the bountiful harvests of any country in the world ultimately depend on winning or losing in the struggle with the multifariously changing, unusual weather. The countries with the power to overcome the fickleness and the tryanny of an everchanging nature can gather rich harvests, but today when countries without that power cannot avoid poor crops, many countries feel fear at the radical changes in weather and mysticize the power of nature, while sitting helplessly and leaving the fate of their agriculture to the tryanny of the cold weather.

America, which considers itself a world "power," says it is also a dominant force in agriculture. But what is it in fact?

The year 1977 was the year when a great drought set in worldwide. That year the American Government declared the area devastated by drought and heat waves a "disaster area" but all it could promise was to "pray that it will rain and grow cooler in those states suffering from the burning heat."

Thus the hopeless governors and citizens held "ceremonies to pray for rain" and many people filled the churches to bursting as they prayed to heaven for rain; this aspect of America which recalls earlier centuries has been clearly revealed before the world today when the influence of the cold weather is sweeping the world.

That year a severe drought also set in in our country. In April of that rainless year, a plenary session of our party Central Committee was held to call the [illegible] party, the whole country, and the whole people to the struggle to prevent [illegible] damage ahead of time.

[illegible] conditions where drought and unusual climatic phenomena were forecast [illegible] for a long time, the plenary session set forth the original under- [illegible] revolution guideline, saying that preventing drought damage and [illegible] resolving the water problem could not be lightly handled by the [illegible] responsible for the people's destiny.

[illegible] of this session, what did the farmers of Sobu-ri in Kaech'on [illegible] forth as one while the meeting was still in session to [illegible] work, say?

[illegible] leadership of the Great Leader and the invincible KWP, [illegible] bountiful agricultur[illegible] 10-year or [illegible]

a [illegible]-year drought may set in. If there is no water above ground, we [illegible] pump up all the water in the ground to make full, bountiful harvests. We are not the slaves of nature, but rather its masters.

Last year South Hwanghae Province blocked the sea to make a reservoir and when showers fell the people instantly gathered up the water pooled in paddies and fields to put in the reservoir; when the weather was dry they farmed by pumping the water, thus completing the construction of the "ocean reservoir."

The sound of faith in their own strength rose out of this work site which turned disaster into fortune; this sound of faith also rose from the people of Hoch'on County, who built hundreds of pumping stations and made cast iron pipe with iron from the small-scale blast furnaces they themselves had built in order to pump water to hillside fields and overcome this year's drought.

It is this overflowing faith in one's own power which does not fear the tyranny of nature and can control the "harmony" of heaven with the hand, this clear conviction and inexhaustible creativity of our people by which Korea's bountiful harvests are prepared; thus they do not know the repetitive process of advance and retreat, leaping always from one high spot to another even higher.

Our agriculture, which [illegible] at some [illegible] million tons of food grain [illegible] the [illegible] million ton food grain crop height in the 1970's, when the world [illegible] unheard-of agricultural crises and foodstuff crises, and it will reach the [illegible] million ton food grain crop height in the "hopeless 1980's" which the world has described as the coming "specter" of starvation and the threat of [illegible], thus showing vigorously the spirit of our agriculture which yields [illegible] harvests every year and continues to press forward.

[illegible] tremendous development and [illegible] speed of our agriculture is clearly [illegible] in the miracle wherein our agriculture, which began right after [illegible] [illegible] of 1 to 2 tons of rice [illegible] levels to the [illegible] of the world' [illegible]

[illegible] old dream and hope of [illegible] [illegible] to realize [illegible]. However, as history shows us, world [illegible]

[illegible]

Our country is not a large country; it is one with unfavorable agricultural production conditions. Our country, most of which is mountainous, has neither broad plains nor rich black soil. Even under such unfavorable natural geographic conditions, we have greatly increased our food grain production per unit each year to make our once poor country a country where rice jars overflow; and we have created a distinct model for resolving the foodstuff problem.

Is there any country in the world such as ours which can not only fully feed its population but also pile up much grain reserves every year with such a small land area?

This is a miracle of miracles.

Here, in building a powerful agriculture which overcomes any natural climatic conditions and in resolving most brilliantly the foodstuff problem, lies the great victory of our party's agricultural policy and the superiority of socialist agriculture compared to capitalist agriculture. Here also lies our strength and pride and the dignity of Korea which is firmly maintaining its independence.

Where is the source of that strength that enables our agriculture to overcome any unfavorable natural climatic conditions and grow full bountiful harvests every year? What has allowed our agriculture to become a strong agriculture [illegible] on the upward road?

Recalling the time of the rice harvest this year, one farm worker of the Kiam [illegible] Farm in Liwon County on the isolated eastern coast said the following.

[illegible] the soil of Kiam for all my 60 years but never have I seen such [illegible] great harvest as this year. It seems as though I was [illegible] or more tons per chongbo from paddies which [illegible] beginning of summer.

[illegible] that such a great harvest, which cannot be achieved even through [illegible] of heaven, was given to us by the Great Leader and by our KWP, my [illegible] is even more than that of heaven grows firmer."

[illegible] held not just by him, but by all our people in the face of this [illegible] great harvests. In the thought and emotion welling in the [illegible] Korean is reflected clearly and movingly the true source of our [illegible].

[illegible] world's farmers who does not feel the threat [illegible] who does not worry about the destruction [illegible] have no worries about agriculture [illegible] harvests.

[illegible] the greatest disaster in today's world, [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]ntiful harvests, even while the world clamors about the agricultural crisis and the foodstuff crisis, they think about 1973 when the Great Leader Comrade Kim Il-song personally stepped to the front to block the influence of the prolonged cold and prepare the great transformation of our agriculture.

If the postwar era was the most difficult period for our agriculture due to the aftermath of the war, the early 1970's was a period of trial when our agriculture was struck by the sudden frenzies of nature. At that time when, by upsetting our country's own natural meteorological features, the effects of the cold made it impossible to farm safely using conventional methods and experience, when our agriculture which had been moving forward with great strides ran into this trial the Great Leader broke through these difficulties and set forth more extensively the agriculture-frist guideline while personally becoming the commander of the agricultural frontline in order to bring about a great upsurge in agricultural production.

This was an event never before seen in history, neither East nor West, then nor now.

There are many countries in the world, and each has its leader. However, there is no instance at any time or any place where a country's leader personally stepped forth as the commander of the agricultural front in order to stop the ravages of nature and [illegible] the people adequately.

The Great Leader Comrade Kim Il-song, the invincible leader of steel, the legendary hero, the gunids of creation and construction! By personally becoming the commander of the agricultural front and standing at the head of our agriculture, he determined ahead of time the victory of our people in the struggle with the cold weather and he ensured a great upsurge in agriculture.

There was nothing he did not do upon becoming commander.

It was our great leader who, although only 15, fought and defeated the great army of imperialist aggression while leading a guerrilla unit armed with [illegible] a few guns and knives, and solving by himself the problems of food, clothing, [illegible] base. It was our Great Leader who led our [illegible] less than 2 years as a regular [illegible]

our agriculture's great upsurge by tens of percentage points in increased production, though under normal climatic conditions 2 or 3 percent would be considered large, and at a time when the worldwide food crisis was beginning, was a miracle created by the Great Leader and a great transformation of our agriculture.

Korea's bountiful harvests are not achieved by the "harmony" of heaven nor are they the favor of the earth.

That Korea overcomes the effects of the cold weather and grows bountiful harvests every year is the great fruit given by the penetrating vision and extraordinary creativity of the respected and beloved leader who turns difficult situations into favorable situations, who transforms disaster into fortune, who creates something out of nothing, and who makes the impossible possible.

Often when people speak of today's bountiful harvest, they speak of our highly developed irrigation system. That is correct. In agriculture, water is the vital fluid, water is rice. You cannot think of agriculture without water and you cannot hope for a bountiful harvest without water.

[illegible] this problem, which the world is clamoring to solve, solved in our country through the Great Leader's foresight.

[illegible] of the year after liberation, when the Great Leader grasped the hand of peasants plowing fields, and told them that although we could not avoid the "harmony of heaven" under Japanese imperialism, the workers and farmers of our country had now become masters and could prevent any "harmony of heaven." [illegible] forth as a priority the solving of the task in the agricultural sector [illegible] the whole country with an irrigation network. In the period after [illegible] when everything was nonexistent or in short supply the Great Leader [illegible] all sorts of difficulties to lay out the great irrigation work, and [illegible] foresaw the cold weather of today.

[illegible] the Great Leader, himself, transplanted rice and became a cooperator [illegible] to enhance our agriculture, when he set forth the great thesis that [illegible] socialism and called our people to the increased production of food [illegible] foresaw the agricultural crisis and the crisis in food the world [illegible].

[illegible] the clarity of the Great Leader in penetrating [illegible] development, the prospects and the essence of things [illegible] years of the Korean Revolution. There [illegible] Great Leader that did not turn out as he saw it.

[illegible] every year even in an abnormal climate [illegible] extraordinariness of the respected and beloved Great [illegible] who has foreseen everything and achieved [illegible] wrong even then, who has taken [illegible] transition of nature.

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[illegible] revolution [illegible] agriculture began [illegible] establishment of the [illegible] agricultural method. [illegible], we have ample water, fertilizer, and machinery [illegible] farming. [illegible] agricultural method is the key to bountiful harvest [illegible] utilizes all these means of production to increase extraordinarily the per unit harvest, the omnipotent power which overcomes the cold weather and always brings large and [illegible] harvests, and it is the valuable sword of [illegible], bountiful harvests given to our people.

[illegible] must apply this great agricultural method and always [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. That is not just because they firmly believe in the [illegible] of the [illegible] agricultural method which forms the highest peak in the [illegible] agricultural method.

[illegible] the great will of our respected and beloved [illegible] his indescribable effort.

[illegible] great leader does not forget even [illegible].

[illegible] when our country's foodstuff situation was very [illegible], [illegible] elements ate up all of the little rice that [illegible] "rice riots." [illegible] and told them that he brought [illegible] had to farm to get rice while he [illegible] had to live and what it [illegible].

[illegible] the great leader faced on [illegible] imperialism during the [illegible] and [illegible] anti-Japanese war, further strengthened his conviction [illegible].

[illegible] government following [illegible] with a new agricultural [illegible] problem and even while [illegible] personally devoted difficult [illegible] finally the [illegible] in agriculture.

[illegible] agricultural [illegible]. [illegible], the great leader [illegible]

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country's situation. First I went in among the peasants to talk with them and hear their experiences and I studied technical writings from other countries systematically 2 hours every day.

"Even now I continue to study the agricultural situation and technology of other countries. I have recorded materials about the agricultural conditions and technologies of other countries and listen to them when I walk and when I eat."

The leadership of the respected and beloved leader who puts agriculture first, the noble will of the respected and beloved leader who strive to solve the foodstuffs problem and adequately feed the people gave birth to the omnipotent agricultural method--the chuche agricultural method--and with the wise leadership of our party this agricultural method has been thoroughly fulfilled without even the slightest gap so that our sheaves of bountiful harvests are piled high today.

Indeed all the people in the world, and not only our own, call the great victory of our agriculture today a miracle, and speak as follows of the secrets of all [illegible].

"It is the result of the chuche agricultural method originated by the Great Leader of the Korean people, Comrade Kim Il-song, and the wise leadership of the beloved leader, Comrade Kim Chong-il, who is vigorously leading the struggle to realize the method in agricultural production. Here lie all the secrets [illegible] achieved by the Korean people."

[illegible] and intentions of the leader are realized by the party. As in [illegible] of revolution and construction, the fate of agriculture is decided by the leadership of the party which correctly realizes the [illegible] of the leader, as well as by the greatness of the leader himself.

[illegible] the party which has realized a guidance system which correctly fulfills without the slightest deviation the Great Leader's vision and agricultural [illegible] from the center down to the lowest level cells of the rural villages, and it is the great party with the strong organizational power which [illegible] the whole people at once with one call, one order, to embody most [illegible] the leader's ideology, intentions, and agricultural method.

[illegible] sends large units of Three Revolution [illegible] and time to fulfill thoroughly the great leader's [illegible] method with the spirit of absoluteness and unconditionality, [illegible] tance units to push through all farming [illegible] requirements of the chuche agricultural method.

[illegible] party is such that when the party begins operations [illegible] village party functionaries throughout the whole country [illegible] to all with the masses with one voice and [illegible] fulfill thoroughly the party's intentions.

[illegible] the will of our party, with its pulse, with its breath of [illegible] uniting them more strongly as one, the more the waves of [illegible] this is the power that has brought countless [illegible].

[illegible] of the Great Leader's vision of rural construction and his [illegible] must become the fertilizer, chemicals, and raindrops for [illegible] flowers bloom. It is the source of our party's offensive which has [illegible] concepts of the power of nature and continued to counteract [illegible] bold feat of driving it back, and of our party's bold [illegible] operations which realize the Great Leader's vision throughout the [illegible] at once and its strength of steel which can do anything once it [illegible]. These constitute the greatness of our glorious party which [illegible]

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[illegible] in English [illegible] Mar [illegible]

[illegible] transport workers in Korea carried [illegible] than the traction capacity in two months of this [illegible]

[illegible] this success by vigorously waging the "drive [illegible] without accident to implement the decision [illegible] Central Committee of the Workers' Party [illegible]

[illegible] to ensure the transport on schedule [illegible] wagon than the traction [illegible] after the 18th plenary meeting of the [illegible] of Korea (June, [illegible]) [illegible] railway transport.

[illegible] railway [illegible] traction carried [illegible] the traction [illegible] in the present [illegible] in reducing the [illegible]

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N. KOREA/ECONOMY

NONFERROUS ORE PRODUCTION CAPACITY RISES

SK221013 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1001 GMT 22 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 22 Mar (KCNA)--Nonferrous metal ore mines are being extensively reconstructed and expanded in Korea.

Big successes have been reported over the last six months or more from Komdok and Tanchon districts and Yanggang Province with rich deposits and promising prospects.

The Komdok General Mining Enterprise, a leading nonferrous metal ore production base, has accelerated the construction of several large-scale shaft pits with a total length of 1,700 metres. More than 1,200 metres have already been completed. A new dressing capacity of over one million tons has been created with the completion of the expansion projects of ore dressing plants No 1 and 2. The construction of ore dressing plant No 3 with a large capacity has entered the stage of full-scale assembling of equipment. When it is put into operation, the ore dressing capacity of the mine will grow more than 4.6 times. And the construction of a long-distance belt conveyor linking ore dressing plant No 2 to No 3 is near completion.

The Sangnong Mine completed the construction of a long-distance belt conveyor from the pit to the ore dressing plant and is accelerating the construction of ore dressing plant No 2 and inclined conveyor No 3 at the final stage. Their completion will result in a 3.3-fold growth in the ore production capacity.

The Hyesan Youth Mine completed the expansion project for doubling the capacity of the existing shafts and commissioned a new large shaft, and it promoted the expansion project of the ore dressing plant, increasing its capacity 1.5 times.

Through brisk reconstruction and expansion projects, the August, Unhung and Kapsan mines have sharply increased the ore production capacity.

The state is actively developing new mines such as the Sinpa and Yongam Mines to raise the nonferrous metal ore production capacity.

Korea aims at attaining the goal of one million tons of nonferrous metals in two or three years and 1.5 million tons by 1988.

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N. KOREA/ECONOMY

FISHING INDUSTRY MODERNIZED

SK211533 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1500 GMT 21 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 21 Mar (KCNA)--Working people in the domain of fisheries in Korea are greeting day of fishermen (March 22) with great successes of labour.

According to data available from the Fisheries Commission, the output of marine products till March 15 this year grew 47.7 per cent above the like period of last year.

Such growth of production is chiefly attributable to the vigorous progress of the modernisation and scientification of fishing industry.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song put forward the policy of realising comprehensive mechanisation of fishing operations by making fishing boats large-sized, modernized and universal-purpose ones and establishing a chuche-oriented and scientific fishing system and has wisely led the work for its implementation.

The level of technical equipment of the Korean fisheries has markedly rise in recent years.

Many modern large fishing boats including 10,000 ton processing mother ship and 5,000 ton refrigerator transport have been built, notably, fishing fleets have been replenished with many 3,750 ton stern trawlers and 450 ton universal-purpose trawlers in view of the seriously capricious weather conditions.

Small and medium-sized fishing boats increased markedly in number and were rebuilt into universal-purpose ones for purse-net, trawl and gill-net fishing.

Fishing bases on the east coast including the Sinpo Fishery Complex, Kim Chaek and Soho fishery stations have been reconstructed on an expansion basis and the material and technical foundations of fishery bases newly built in the leading fishing grounds of the western coast area further strengthened.

The scientification of fishing operations has been pushed forward vigorously.

Decisive precedence has been given to fish shoal detection by modern detection boats and the scientific and technical equipment of fishing boats improved.

The number of scientific and technical equipment installed in boats during the Six-Year Plan (1971-1976) doubled and is on the steady increase in the current Seven-Year Plan period.

The industrialisation and modernisation of fish processing have also progressed.

The construction of many large-sized freezing factories at fishing bases in recent years rapidly increased the freezing and storage capacity of fish and its quick capacity and fish unloading facilities were rebuilt on modern lines in particular, fish processing machines of latest type were contrived and introduced last year to bring about an epochal progress in fish processing.

Alongside the progress of modernization of fisheries, the output of aquatic products is on the steady rise.

Korea, which produced 590,000 tons of seafood in the early 1960s, surpassed the level of 2 million tons by the end of the 1970s.

Korea sets herself the goal of producing 5 million tons per annum by the end of the 1980s. When this goal is hit, per capita supply of fish will reach 700 grammes a day.

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BRIEFS

FARM MACHINE OUTPUT--Pyongyang, 17 Mar (KCNA)--The spring farming season is approaching in the countryside of Korea. The plants serving agriculture are now producing tractors and various farm machines in large quantities. According to data available, the output of tractors has gone up 11.4 per cent and that of rice-transplanting machines 45.5 per cent entering this year as against the same period of last year. The Kumsong Tractor Plant, the nation's leading tractor production base, more than doubled its production in February as against January and continues expanding production in March. The trailer farm machine factories and farm machine stations all over the country are hastening the production of rice-transplanting machines and rice-seedling plucking machines. The Haeju and Hamhung trailer farm machine factories markedly increased the output of rice-transplanting machines in February as against January and factories in Pyongyang have already overfulfilled their assignments for the production of these machines. Korea has 7 tractors for each 100 hectares in the plain areas and 6 in the intermediary and mountain areas and the area where rice-transplanting is done by machines accounts for 95 per cent of the total paddy area. [Text] [SK171517 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1505 GMT 17 Mar 83]

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N. KOREA/SOCIAL CONDITIONS

NEW PARK TO BE BUILT IN PYONGYANG

SK161556 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1526 GMT 16 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 16 Mar (KCNA)--Another ground of cultural recreation for the working people, a part of eastern style, will be built on the Moran Hill in Pyongyang.

Artificial waterfalls, fountains and ponds will take shape to go well with the scenic beauty of the hill and pavilions be built at different spots.

A modernly furnished fun fair, two soft drink counters and an amusement centre will occupy a vast area at the park and a mountain of fantastic rocks will take shape. And flower gardens mainly planted with flowering shrubs and green space will be laid out to be harmonized with the woods of the Moran Hill.

All these will bring a change to the looks of the hill noted for its supurb view. Now there are on the hill and at its foot the youth open-air theatre with more than 20,000 seats, the Moranbong Theatre, a children's park with modern pleasure facilities, rose of sharon-shaped large fountains with 650 water-jets, a botanical exhibition, six ponds and two waterfalls.

And you find there such pavilions as Chongnyu, Sungni, Hyusik and Hungbu, graceful buildings of Korean style, and the Moran Restaurant serving Pyongyang noodles. They offer conveniences to the working people enjoying their holidays.

The Moran Hill overgrown with nearly 100 species of trees and hundreds of flowers is blessed with many historic relics of the period of Koguryo Dynasty (early first century B.C.-668 A.D.) such as the outer wall and inner wall and the Ulmildae Pavilion, the Choesungdae Pavilion, the Chilsong gate, the Chongnyu Pavilion, and Pubyokngnu Pavilion.

The Arch of Triumph associated with the revolutionary records of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song was built at the western foot of the Moran Hill and the Kim Il-song Stadium was completed last year to add to the beauty of the hill.

Upholding the lofty intention of the great leader to provide the people with better sites of cultural recreation, the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il gave concrete instructions on the scale and style of the park and took measures for an early completion of its construction.

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BRIEFS

SOVIET PAPER ON FILMS--Moscow, 13 Mar (KCNA)--The Soviet paper PRAVDA on March 13 reported that new feature films are showing in the DPRK under the title "Films About Party Members." Noting that many new feature and documentary films are screened at the Korean cinema houses every year, the paper says: The films "The County Party Chief Secretary" and "The Pledge Made That Day" produced by the Korean film studio are now successfully showing. These films tell about party members and their vanguard role in the building of a new society on the soil of Korea and the solution of sociopolitical problems by them. Noting that the new feature film "Wolmi Island" produced by the Korean February 8 Film Studio is acclaimed by the cinema-goers, the paper recounts how the company of battery commander Li Tae Un, the hero of the film, successfully fulfills the order to check the enemy's landing for three days, frustrating his operation. [Text] [SK151511 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1503 GMT 15 Mar 83]

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

SO CHOL HOSTS BANQUET FOR TANZANIAN DELEGATION

SK190500 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0354 GMT 19 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 19 Mar (KCNA)--The Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea arranged a banquet on the evening of March 18 in honor of the delegation of the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania.

Invited to the banquet were the members of the delegation headed by Paul Sozigwa, member of the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania and secretary of the control and disciplinary commission of the National Executive Committee of the party.

Comrade So Chol, member of the Political Bureau, and chairman of the control committee, of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, and personages concerned were present there.

Comrade So Chol made a speech first at the banquet. Referring to the relations of fraternal friendship forged between the Workers' Party of Korea and the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania in the struggle against imperialism and for independence, he stressed:

The visit of His Excellency President Julius K. Nyerere, the outstanding leader of the Tanzanian people, to [word indistinct] country twice and his significant meetings with the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song marked an important event in the development of the relations of friendship and cooperation between our two parties and two peoples.

The Revolutionary Party of Tanzania and the Tanzanian people under the leadership of His Excellency esteemed President Nyerere are achieving many successes in the active struggle to consolidate the national independence and achieve the independent development of the country under the slogans "self-reliance" and "socialism," he said.

He continued: Pursuing a non-aligned policy in external relations, Tanzania actively supports the struggle of the people against imperialism and colonialism.

We express firm support to all the policies of your party and the government of your country, considering that they are correct ones which accord with the actual conditions of their country and the interests of the people.

Head of the delegation Paul Sozigwa spoke next. Noting that this was not the first time he has come to Korea, he said that he attended the Sixth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea as a member of the delegation of the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania and noticed the determination of the Korean people to fight hard, using a totally united force centered around the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song assisted by the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il.

He expressed the desire to learn many experiences from a proven friend during his current visit. He said that the imperialists trying to confuse the targets of the free people of Korea of the reunification of their motherland and threatening peace and stability of this country and of other countries of this one globe are a bitter enemy who must be fought by us all together.

Pointing out that he was aware of the biggest efforts the Workers' Party of Korea is making towards the very survival of the non-aligned movement, he emphasized:

I must congratulate your party for this effort you are making to save mankind from destruction by shameless imperialism.

Together we shall fight against all the hostile forces till the complete victory of our revolution, he stressed.

The attendants of the banquet raised glasses to the friendship and solidarity between the Workers' Party of Korea and the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania, between the Korean and Tanzanian peoples, to the good health and long life of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, to the good health and long life of the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il and to the good health and long life of His Excellency President Julius K. Nyerere, the outstanding leader of the Tanzanian people.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

SPA DELEGATION'S SOJOURN IN ALGERIA REPORTED

SK220815 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0801 GMT 22 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 22 Mar (KCNA)--Talks were held on March 16 at the National Popular Assembly Hall between a delegation of the Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK headed by Hwang Chang-yop, chairman of its Standing Committee, on a visit to Algeria and a delegation of the National Popular Assembly of Algeria, according to a report.

Present at the talks on our side were the members of the delegation and DPRK ambassador to Algeria Pak Ui Chun and on the opposite side were Rabah Bitat, president, and Melaika Djelloul, vice-president of the NPA, and personages concerned.

The talks proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

The president of the NPA hosted a reception on March 17 in honor of the SPA delegation of the DPRK on visit to Algeria.

The members of the delegation and the ambassador and officials of the Korean Embassy in El Djazair were present on invitation. Present were vice-presidents of the NPA and personages concerned.

The attendants wholeheartedly wished a long life in good health to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, the dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il and Algerian President Chadli Bendjedid.

The delegation visited Blida Province on March 19. It was met by the Blida Provincial Committee of the National Liberation Front Party of Algeria, the president of the Provincial Popular Assembly and leading officials of the province.

The delegation inspected a socialist rural village and was entertained to a party by the provincial party secretary.

The delegation arrived in El Djazair on March 16.

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REPORT ON KWP-SYRIAN JOINT COMMUNIQUE

SK161140 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1037 GMT 16 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 16 Mar (KCNA)--A joint communique on the visit of the delegation of the Workers' Party of Korea to the Syrian Arab Republic was issued in Damascus on March 15, according to a report.

The joint communique says: A delegation of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Comrade Hwang Chang-yop, secretary of the Central Committee of the WPK and chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, paid a goodwill visit to the Syrian Arab Republic from March 6 to 13, 1983, at the invitation of the national leadership of the Arab Socialist Ba'th Party.

Comrade Abdullah al-Ahmar, deputy general secretary of the Arab Socialist Ba'th Party, met the delegation.

The delegation of the Workers Party of Korea had party and political talks with the delegation of the Arab Socialist Ba'th Party headed by Comrade Mahmud al-Zu'bi member of the regional leadership of the party and president of the People's Council of the Syrian Arab Republic.

At the talks they discussed the activities of the two parties, development achieved in the two friendly countries, friendly and cooperative relations between the two parties and two peoples and ways to develop them, major international issues at present, developments in the Middle East and on the Korean Peninsula in particular.

The Arab Socialist Ba'th Party highly estimated the fact that the Korean people have effected epochal changes in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, converted Korea into a socialist state, independent, self-sustaining and self-reliant in national defence and made great successes in all domains of socialist construction by embodying the great chuche idea under the leadership of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by the great leader of the Korean people Comrade Kim Il-song, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The delegation of the Workers' Party of Korea highly appraised the fact that under the guidance of the Arab Socialist Ba'th Party led by Comrade Fighter Hafiz al-Asad, general secretary of the Arab Socialist Ba'th Party and president of the Syrian Arab Republic, the Syrian Arab Republic has consolidated and deepened progress and socialist changes in all realms, strengthened and developed the national progress front and cemented the national unity to achieve progressive achievements and many successes so that Syria may more resolutely smash the reactionary schemes at home and abroad.

The two delegations discussed major international issues of common concern and directed particular attention to the tense and grave situation created in the Middle East region and the Korean Peninsula.

They also discussed the critical explosive situation created in the Korean Peninsula due to the "two Koreas" plot of the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean fascist clique and their military provocations and highly praised the struggle of the Korean people to achieve the independent and peaceful reunification of the country and safeguard peace and security in Asia.

Both sides held that if peace is to be realized in Korea, an end should be put to the U.S. troops' occupation of South Korea and all foreign troops be unconditionally and immediately withdrawn from South Korea so that the Korean people may realise by themselves the independent and peaceful reunification of their country and expressed the belief that the constructive reunification proposal put forward at the Sixth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea constitutes a realistic basis for achieving the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea free from foreign interference.

The two delegations pungently denounced the brutal invasion of Lebanon along with terrorist acts, massacres of Palestinians and total destruction of cities and villages of Lebanon by Israel with U.S. support and encouragement, held that (?all) Israeli aggression forces must unconditionally and immediately withdraw from Lebanon and stressed that the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Lebanon must be respected.

Both sides signed a new agreement on cooperation between the two parties from 1983 to 1984.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

PCI'S BERLINGUER MEETS KWP DELEGATION

SK160901 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0811 GMT 16 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 16 Mar (KCNA)--Enrico Berlinguer, general secretary of the Italian Communist Party [PCI], on March 10 met the delegation of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Comrade Ho Chong-suk, member, and secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, which had attended the 16th Congress of the Italian Communist Party, according to a report.

The head of the delegation conveyed cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to General Secretary Enrico Berlinguer.

The general secretary expressed deep thanks for this and asked the head of the delegation to convey his wholehearted greetings to respected Comrade Kim Il-song, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea.

Saying that the relations between the Italian Communist Party and the Workers Party of Korea were excellently developing on the basis of chajusong (independence), he pointed out that he would always express firm solidarity with the Korean people's cause of national reunification.

The talk proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

Present on the occasion were Pajetta, member of the leadership of the Central Committee of the Italian Communist Party and chief of the Foreign Affairs Department, and Rubbi, member of the party Central Committee and chief of the foreign section.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

KIM IL-SUNG RECEIVES REPLY FROM AL-ASAD

SK1703[illegible] Pyongyang KCNA in English 2200 GMT 17 Mar 83

[text] Pyongyang, 17 Mar (KCNA)--The great leader Comrade Kim Il-sung, president of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received a message from Hafez al-Asad, president of the Syrian Arab Republic, in reply to his message of greetings on the 20th anniversary of the Syrian Revolution Day.

The reply message dated [word indistinct] reads: I extend warm thanks to you for your message of greetings on the 20th anniversary on the March 8 revolution.

It gives me pleasure to pay respects on behalf of the Syrian Arab people and on my own for the support and encouragement extended by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea under the leadership of the Workers Party of Korea led by you to our just struggle against Israeli aggression and for liberating the occupied Arab lands and restoring the lost rights of the Palestinian people.

I assure you of our support to the struggle of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Korean people against the machinations of U.S. imperialism and for peacefully reunifying Korea free from any outside interference.

I also express once more the belief that our common struggle against U.S. imperialism, its allies and its stooges will certainly emerge victorious.

Most heartily wishing Your Excellency health and happiness and the people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea greater progress and success, I take this opportunity to assure you that the relations of friendship and cooperation between our two countries will continue strengthening for the mutual well-being of our two peoples and for the victory of our just cause.

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N. KOREA FOREIGN RELATIONS

DPRK ENVOY PRESENTS CREDENTIALS TO BENIN PRESIDENT

BK230451 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2202 GMT 22 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 23 Mar (KCNA)--Kim Song-hwan, ambassador of our country to Benin, presented his credentials to Mathieu Kerekou, president of Benin, on March 18, according to a report.

The ambassador conveyed cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the president.

The president expressed deep thanks for this and asked the ambassador to convey to His Excellency Marshal Kim Il-song, the great leader and respected father of the Korean people, his warm greetings overflowing with most intimate, militant and reverent feelings and the spirit of deep bonds of friendship of the party, government and people of Benin and their firm solidarity and active cooperation for the Workers Party, government and people of Korea.

He wholeheartedly wished the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song good health and a long life.

We reaffirm our full and unconditional support to the just and noble struggle the courageous Korean people are waging under the wise guidance of His Excellency Marshal Kim Il-song, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, in face of the grave situation created on the Korean Peninsula due to the shameless manoeuvres of threat and blackmail of the imperialist powers, he said. The U.S. troops, he stressed, must be withdrawn from South Korea at an early date and the United States should respond to the proposal of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for replacing the armistice agreement with a peace agreement.

The talk proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

Present on the occasion were the acting minister of foreign affairs and cooperation of Benin and officials concerned.

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BRIEFS

TANZANIAN DELEGATION--Pyongyang, 19 Mar (KCNA)--A delegation of the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania headed by Paul Sozigwa, member of the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania and secretary of the control and disciplinary commission of the National Executive Committee of the party, arrived in Pyongyang on March 18 by air for a visit to our country upon the invitation of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea. It was met at the airport by Comrade So Chol, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and chairman of its control committee, Kang Hyon-su, member of the WPK Central Committee and first vice-chairman of its control committee, and Yi Hwa-son, alternate member, and vice-director of a department, of the WPK Central Committee. [Text] [SK190207 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2204 GMT 18 Mar 83]

KWP, TANZANIAN TALKS--Pyongyang, 20 Mar (KCNA)--Talks were held in Pyongyang on March 19 between delegations of the Workers' Party of Korea and the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania. Present at the talks on our side were Kang Hyon-su, member of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and first vice-chairman of the control committee of the WPK Central Committee; Yi Hwa-son, alternate member, and vice-director of a department, of the WPK Central Committee; and officials concerned and on the opposite side were the head of the delegation Paul Sozigwa, member of the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania and secretary of the control and disciplinary commission of the National Executive Committee of the party, and the members of the delegation. [Text] [SK200955 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0855 GMT 20 Mar 83]

WPK DELEGATION TO SYRIA--Pyongyang, 18 Mar--The delegation of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Comrade Hwang Chang-yop, member, and secretary, of the Central Committee, left Damascus on March 13 after winding up its visit to Syria, according to a report. It was seen off at the airport by Mahmoub al Zoubfkad member of the regional leadership of the Arab Socialist Ba'th Party and president of the People's Council of Syria, Ahmad al-Hassan, alternate member of the national leadership of the party and vice-director of its organisational department, and other personages concerned. [Text] [SK210526 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2206 GMT 18 Mar 83 SK]

KWP DELEGATION IN EUROPE--Pyongyang, 20 Mar--The delegation of the Workers Party of Korea headed by Kim Yong-son, vice-director of a department of the WPK Central Committee, returned home by plane on March 19 after attending the emergency international conference to cope with the scheme to frame up a U.S.-Japan-South Korea triangular military alliance and the acute tension created in Korea held in France and the fifth convention of the Socialist Left Party of Norway, and visited Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxemburg and Austria. The delegation was met at the airport by Yi Hwa-son, vice-director of a department of the WPK Central Committee. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0854 GMT 20 Mar 83 SK]

KWP DELEGATION TO ITALY--Pyongyang, 18 Mar--Flaminio Piccoli, president of the Christian Democratic Party of Italy (CDPI), on March 14 met a delegation of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Comrade Ho Chong-suk, member, and secretary, of the WPK Central Committee, according to a report. The head of the delegation conveyed cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the president. The president expressed deep thanks for this and asked the head of the delegation to convey his wholehearted greetings to the great leader. Expressing apprehensions about the situation prevailing in the Korean Peninsula, he stressed that he would make efforts for peace in Korea and the world. The talk took place in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 2212 GMT 17 Mar 83 SK]
Pyongyang, 20 Mar--The delegation of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Comrade Ho Chong-suk, member, and secretary, of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, returned home on March 19 after attending the 16th congress of the Italian Communist Party. It was met at the airport by Comrade So Kwan-hu, secretary of the C.C., WPK, and Yi Hwa-son, vice-director of a department of the C.C., WPK. Also present were Vassil Khubchev, Bulgarian ambassador to Korea, and O. V. Okonishnikov, minister councillor of the Soviet Embassy in Pyongyang. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0848 GMT 20 Mar 83 SK]

DPRK FOREIGN MINISTRY DELEGATION--Pyongyang, 6 Mar--The Foreign Ministry delegation of our country headed by Vice-Minister Kim Chae-pong returned home by plane on March 5 after visiting Madagascar, Mauritius, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Uganda and Rwanda. It was met at the airport by Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs Pak Myong-k. [Text] [SK070526 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0835 GMT 6 Mar 83 SK]

DPRK DELEGATION TO CUBA--Pyongyang, 20 Mar--A government delegation of our country headed by Vice-Minister of External Economic Affairs Yi Yong-un left here by plane on March 19 for a visit to Cuba. The delegation was seen off at the airport by Vice-Minister of External Economic Affairs Kim Chong-u and Cuban ambassador to Korea Ricardo Danza Sigas. [Text] [SK210524 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0845 GMT 20 Mar 83 SK]

FORESTRY DELEGATION TO USSR--Pyongyang, 15 Mar--A forestry delegation of our country headed by Kim Yong-hwa, vice-minister of forestry, left here by train on March 14 for a visit to the Soviet Union. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0338 GMT 15 Mar 83 SK]

JOURNALISTS UNION DELEGATION--Pyongyang, 16 Mar--A delegation of the Korean Journalists Union headed by Vice-Chairman of its Central Committee Yun Kyong-taek left Pyongyang for China on March 15. The Indian delegation of social scientists, the Portuguese delegation for the study of the chuche idea and the Ecuadorian delegation for the study of the chuche idea left here yesterday for home. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0356 GMT 16 Mar 83 SK]

SPORTS COMMITTEE TO INDIA--Pyongyang, 17 Mar--Kim Yu-sun, member of the International Olympic Committee and chairman of the Korean Physical Culture and Sports Guidance Committee, left here on March 16 by air to attend the 86th general meeting of the International Olympic Committee to be held in India. He was seen off at the airport by Yi Yong-su, chairman of the Central Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth, Kim Tuk-chun, vice-chairman of the Korean Physical Culture and Sports Guidance Committee, and an official of the Indian Embassy in Pyongyang. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 2210 GMT 17 Mar 83 SK]

CULTURAL DELEGATION TO FRANCE--Pyongyang, 16 Mar--A cultural delegation of our country headed by Vice-Minister of Culture and Art Chang Chol left here on March 15 by plane for a visit to France. The delegation was seen off at the airport by Vice-Minister of Culture and Art Yi Sang-tae, Vice-Chairman of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations With Foreign Countries Pak Yong-si, First Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the General Federation of Unions of Literature and Art Choe Yong-hwa and Acting Secretary of the People's Committee of the People's Bureau of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to our country Khalifa Shalbak. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0338 GMT 16 Mar 83 SK]

DPRK-POLAND COMMODITY PROTOCOL--Pyongyang, 16 Mar--A protocol on mutual commodity delivery and payments for 1983 between the governments of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Polish People's Republic was signed in Warsaw on March 11, according to a report. The protocol was signed by Vice-Minister of Foreign Trade Kim Ha-chong on our side and by Vice-Minister of Foreign Trade of Poland Gwiazda Wladyslaw on the opposite side. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0809 GMT 16 Mar 83 SK]

KOREAN TRADE DELEGATION RETURNS--Pyongyang, 20 Mar--The Korean Government trade delegation headed by Yi Yong-kun, first vice-minister of foreign trade, returned home on March 19 after a visit to Egypt. The Korean Government trade delegation headed by Kim Ha-chong, vice-minister of foreign trade, returned home on the same day after visiting the Polish People's Republic and participating in the Leipzig Spring International Fair in the German Democratic Republic. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0846 GMT 20 Mar 83 SK]

'MINJU CHOSON' DELEGATION RETURNS--Pyongyang, 20 Mar--The delegation of MINJU CHOSON headed by its editor-in-chief Chae Chun-pyong returned home on March 19 by plane after a visit to Bulgaria. It was met at the airport by general director of the Korean Central News Agency Chu Hyon-ok, editor-in-chief of PYONGYANG SINMUN Kim Chong-hwan, vice-chairman of the DPRK Radio and TV Broadcasting Committee Han Kwang-hak, deputy editor-in-chief of MINJU CHOSON Kim Kwangsu and Bulgarian ambassador to Korea Vassil Khubchev. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0850 GMT 20 Mar 83 SK]

KSDP DELEGATION BACK--Pyongyang, 20 Mar--The delegation of the Korean Social Democratic Party headed by Yom Kuk-yol, vice-chairman of its Central Committee, flew back home on March 19 after visiting Norway and Sweden. It was met at the airport by Chong Sin-hyok, chairman of the Central Committee of the Chondoist Chongu Party; Yo Yon-ku, director of the Secretariat of the Central Committee of the Democratic Front for the Reunification of the Fatherland; and Kim Tae-sop, vice-chairman of the Central Committee of the Korean Social Democratic Party. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0852 GMT 20 Mar 83 SK]

JAPANESE VISITOR--Pyongyang, 19 Mar--Takeshi Mori, executive of the Japan Table Tennis Association, arrived in Pyongyang on March 18. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0331 GMT 19 Mar 83 SK]

DELEGATION IN ALGERIA--Pyongyang, 22 Mar (KCNA)--Algerian President Chadli Bendjedid on March 17 met a delegation of the Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK headed by Hwang Chang-hop, chairman of its Standing Committee, according to a report. The head of the delegation conveyed cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the president. The president expressed deep thanks for this and asked the head of the delegation to convey his friendly and fraternal greetings to the great leader. He said the friendly relations between Algeria and Korea have a long standing and consolidated and developed in the struggle. Reaffirming invariable support to the policy of the DPRK for national reunification, he declared that Algeria will consistently express its support and solidarity for the Korean people's just cause of national reunification. The talk proceeded in a friendly atmosphere. Present on the occasion were Pak Ui-chun, DPRK ambassador to Algeria, and Rabah Bitat, president of the Algerian National Popular Assembly, and Melaika Djelloul, vice-president of the assembly. [Text] [SK220016 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2217 GMT 21 Mar 83]

GUINEA-BISSAU ENVOY--Pyongyang, 22 Mar (KCNA)--Paulo Correia, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the African Party for Independence of Guinea-Bissau and Cape Verde and state commissioner of rural development, arrived in Pyongyang on March 21 as a special envoy of Comrade Joao Verdardo Vieira, president of the Revolutionary Council of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau, accompanied by his entourage. They were met at the airport by Vice-Premier and Chairman of the Agricultural Commission Kim Chang-chu and Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs Kim Chae-pong. [Text] [SK220008 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2214 GMT 21 Mar 83]

IRANIAN PRESIDENTIAL REPLY--Pyongyang, 21 Mar (KCNA)--The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song received a message from Seyyed 'Ali Khamene'i, president of the Islamic Republic of Iran, in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter on the occasion of the fourth anniversary of the victory of the Islamic Revolution of Iran. The reply message dated March 15 reads: I thankfully acknowledge the receipt of your congratulatory message on the occasion of the anniversary of the Islamic Revolution of Iran. The great Iranian people, by the grace of God and the sacred mystery of unity and thanks to the teachings of the dear Islam and under the leadership of his eminence Imam Khomeini succeeded in taking its destiny into its hands. I sincerely hope all tyrannized nations will succeed in liberating themselves from the domination of the oppressors. I take the opportunity to wish success for the people of Korea and good health for your excellency. [Text] [SK211037 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1024 GMT 21 Mar 83]

ANGOLAN MESSAGE--Pyongyang, 21 Mar (KCNA)--Foreign Minister Ho Tam received a letter of solidarity from Paulo George, foreign minister of the People's Republic of Angola, denouncing the "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises of the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppet clique. Strongly denouncing the U.S. imperialists for the "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises designed to create an atmosphere favorable for the imperialist aggression on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and obstruct the Korean people's efforts for the peaceful reunification of Korea, the letter scathingly condemns it. It expresses solidarity of the Angolan people and government with the DPRK in its just struggle for peace, reunification and stability on the Korean Peninsula and reiterates their support to all the just steps taken by the DPRK Government to defend the country and the gains of the Korean revolution. [Text] [SK210439 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0346 GMT 21 Mar 83]

GIFT TO NICARAGUA--Pyongyang, 18 Mar (KCNA)--Paek Hak-yon, first vice-chairman of the Pyongyang Municipal People's Committee, presented a statuette symbolizing the anti-imperialist fighters heroically struggling against imperialism to Comrade Daniel Ortega Saavedra, member of the national leadership of the Sandinist National Liberation Front and coordinator of the Council of the Government of National Reconstruction of the Republic of Nicaragua who is heading a Nicaraguan party and government delegation on a state visit to our country, at the plaza in front of the February 8 House of Culture on March 18. [Text] [SK181752 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1620 GMT 18 Mar 83]

SWEDISH OFFICIAL HONORED--Pyongyang, 18 Mar (KCNA)--Major General Han Chu-kyong, senior member of our side to the military armistice commission, hosted a party on the evening of March 17 for Major General Otto Rathsman, outgoing Swedish member of the neutral nations supervisory commission, and Major General Gustaf Peyron, newly-appointed Swedish member. Present at the party together with the Swedish members were the chief and staff members of the liaison office of the Chinese People's Volunteers of the MAC and the Czechoslovak, Polish and Swiss members and officials of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission [Text] [SK180518 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0402 GMT 18 Mar 83]

DELEGATION IN NORWAY--Pyongyang, 18 Mar (KCNA)--Hans I. Kleven, chairman of the Central Committee of the Norwegian Communist Party (NCP), on March 11 met a delegation of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Kim Yong-sun, vice-director of a department of the WPK Central Committee, according to a report. The head of the delegation conveyed cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the chairman. The chairman expressed deep thanks for this and asked the head of the delegation to convey his wholehearted, warm greetings and those of the NCP Central Committee to the great leader. He said: We are striving to develop relations between the NCP and the WPK. We express deep concern about the tense situation prevailing in Korea and Asia. The conversation passed in a friendly atmosphere. Present on the occasion was a vice-chairman of the NCP Central Committee. [Text] [SK180055 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2208 GMT 17 Mar 83]

NORWEGIAN SOCIALIST GROUP--The Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea sent a message of greetings on March 16 to Theo Koritzinsky upon his election as chairman of the Central Committee of the Socialist Left Party of Norway (SLPN). The message says: The Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea extends congratulations to you upon your election as chairman of the Central Committee of the Socialist Left Party of Norway. Convinced that the relations of friendship and cooperation between our two parties will more excellently consolidate and develop in the future, we take this opportunity to wish you success in the new work for the independent and democratic development of the country and for the strengthening of your party. [Text] [SK180442 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2203 GMT 17 Mar 83]

REPLY TO SOLIDARITY LETTERS--Pyongyang, 17 Mar (KCNA)--The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent messages to foreign party and state leaders in reply to their solidarity messages concerning the grave situation created in our country. He sent replies to France Albert Rene, president of the Republic of Seychelles; Mohamed Abdelaziz, president of the Saharan Arab Democratic Republic and secretary general of the POLISARIO Front; Dominic Mintoff, prime minister of the Republic of Malta; and Ali Nasser Mohamed, secretary general of the Central Committee of the Yemen Socialist Party, chairman of the Presidium of the People's Supreme Council of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen and chairman of the Council of Ministers of the PDRY. [Text] [SK171513 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1500 GMT 17 Mar 83]

SADR PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE--Pyongyang, 17 Mar (KCNA)--The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received a message from Mohamed 'Abdal-aziz, president of the Saharan Arab Democratic Republic and general secretary of the POLISARIO Front, in reply to his message of greetings on the seventh anniversary of the proclamation of the Saharan Arab Democratic Republic. The reply message dated March 13 reads: I extend heartfelt thanks to Your Excellency for your message of greetings on the seventh anniversary of the proclamation of the Saharan Arab Democratic Republic. In reciprocation I most heartily wish you happiness and health as well as your fraternal people progress and well-being. I express the belief that the excellent relations of friendship existing between our two governments and peoples will grow stronger and develop. With high fraternal consideration. [Text] [SK171125 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0811 GMT 17 Mar 83]

'DAY OF PAKISTAN' HELD--Pyongyang, 22 Mar (KCNA)--A photo exhibition and a film show were held on March 21 under the sponsorship of the Committee for Cultural Relations With Foreign Countries and the Korea-Pakistan Friendship Association on the occasion of the 43d anniversary of the day of Pakistan, the national holiday of the Pakistan people. Present there were Yi Yong-ik, chairman of the DPRK Radio and Television Broadcasting Committee and chairman of the Korea-Pakistan Friendship Association, O Mun-han, vice-chairman of the Committee for Cultural Relations With Foreign Countries, and personages concerned and working people in the city. Pakistan ambassador to Korea Sultan Muhammad Dutta and his embassy officials were invited there. The attendants saw the photographs on display and appreciated a Pakistani documentary film. [Text] [SK221048 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1033 GMT 22 Mar 83]

IRANIAN PREMIER MESSAGE--Pyongyang, 23 Mar (KCNA)--Comrade Yi Chong-ok, premier of the Administration Council, received a message from Seyyed Hosevn Musavi Khamene'i, prime minister of the Islamic Republic of Iran, in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter on the fourth anniversary of the victory of the Islamic Revolution in Iran. The reply message expresses the hope that the present relations between the two countries under constant threat of imperialism will be expanded in the interests of the two peoples who had been subjected to oppression. [Text] [SK230519 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0348 GMT 23 Mar 83]

UPPER VOLTA DELEGATION--Pyongyang, 16 Mar (KCNA)--The delegation of the People's Salvation Council and Government of the Republic of Upper Volta headed by Prime Minister Thomas Sankara left here by plane on the afternnon of March 16, concluding the official goodwill visit it had been paying to our country upon the invitation of the government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. It was seen off at the airport by Premier Yi Chong-ok and other cadres. A farewell function for the delegation took place at the airport. A large number of working people in the city saw off the delegation at the airport. [Text] [SK161050 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1000 GMT 16 Mar 83]

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WORLD PEACE COUNCIL DENOUNCES TRIANGULAR ALLIANCE

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[Text] Pyongyang, 18 Mar (KCNA)--The emergency meeting of the secretariat of the World Peace Council which was held in Helsinki on March 15 in connection with the increasing danger of war in the Korean Peninsula and the intensified scheme to form a triangular military alliance of the United States, Japan and South Korea adopted an appeal calling upon the world public circles to unite the forces opposed to the danger of war in Korea and the Far East, according to a report.

The appeal says: The world Peace Council expressed deep apprehensions about the scheme to form a military alliance of the United States, Japan and South Korea which poses a grave threat to peace in Asia, Pacific region and the world.

A grave situation has been created in the Korean Peninsula.

The "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises of the U.S. forces and the South Korean puppet army renders the situation in this region more strained. This poses a grave threat to the independence and territorial integrity of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, because this leads Korea to a permanent split in accordance with the U.S. plot.

The revival of Japanese militarism stepped up under the pressure of the U.S. administration poses a new threat to peace in the Far East and the world.

Pointing out that all foreign troops must withdraw from South Korea, taking along mass destruction weapons and missiles deployed there, the appeal says: All the foreign military bases in South Korea must be dismantled.

The World Peace Council appeals to the national peace committees and all the peace-loving people of the world to rouse world public opinion against the danger of nuclear war existing in the Far East today.

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STRUGGLE OF SOUTH AFRICAN PEOPLE SUPPORTED

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[Text] Pyongyang, 21 Mar (KCNA)--Dailies here today dedicate articles to day of the anti-racist struggle of South African people.

An article of NODONG SINMUN says that on this day the Korean people express militant greetings and firm solidarity for the South African people in the struggle against the harsh racist rule and for freedom and liberation.

The author of the article says: The people of all strata in South Africa under the leadership of the African National Congress of South Africa are now waging a vigorous struggle of various forms including the armed struggle to put an end to the racist rule.

Recently the South African patriots blew up various objects in Pretoria, the den of the racists, striking terror into their hearts. The massive action of workers, peasants, youth and students is also gaining momentum.

The racist rule is shaking to its very foundation. In an attempt to prolong the remaining days of the South African racists on their last legs, the U.S.-led imperialists are increasing their aid including the supply of lethal weapons to them.

While ceaselessly intensifying their aggression and military provocations against the neighboring countries, the racists hurled more armed forces of aggression into Namibia to ruthlessly suppress her people's struggle for freedom and liberation.

But all this is no more than the death-bed frenzy of the doomed. The wilder the racists run, the harder blow the patriots and people of South Africa and Namibia are dealing at them, firmly holding arms in their hands.

Recently the general secretary of the African National Congress of South Africa declared that the congress would further strengthen the armed struggle as long as the South African racists refuse to renounce the apartheid.

Our people express full support to the just struggle of the South African people. No force can prevent the fall of the racists in South Africa and the victory of the people's struggle for independence and liberation.

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USSR PUBLICATIONS NOTE SUPPRESSION IN SOUTH KOREA

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[Text] Moscow, 18 Mar (KCNA)--Soviet publications carried articles exposing the suppression of people and war moves in South Korea.

The Soviet paper KOMSOMOLSKAYA PRAVDA March 18 in an article titled: "South Korea: Terrorism Beyond Barbed Wire Entanglements" says: World publications frequently carry reports about corruption and an atmosphere of harsh terrorism sweeping South Korea.

Search and arrest of trade union and student movement activists and young people are widespread. But the Washington official quarters do not take ill at all the terrorist method of "maintaining order" employed by Chon Tu-hwan.

This method pleases the United States which has turned South Korea into its major military base in the Far East.

Noting that the South Korean rulers have gone into war hysterics, the paper says: Joint military exercises with the U.S. three services are systematically held in South Korea.

The whole of South Korea has turned into a site of war gamble in the true sense of the term.

Anti-air raid drills are held every month in cities and barricades of sand bags are built high in front of the buildings of many administrative organs.

Washington does not merely support and manipulate the terrorism and militarisation policy of the South Korean puppet authorities, but renders a huge material aid to Seoul.

The Soviet magazine NOVOE VREMYA No 12 also carries an article throwing a revealing light on the realities of South Korea.

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SO YUN-SOK ADDRESSES PYONGYANG RALLY

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[Text] Pyongyang, 21 Mar (KCNA)--A grand Pyongyang mass meeting was held at the February 8 House of Culture on March 20 in welcome of the party and government delegation of the Republic of Nicaragua headed by Comrade Daniel Ortega Saavedra, member of the national leadership of the Sandinist National Liberation Front and coordinator of the council of the Government of National Reconstruction of the Republic of Nicaragua.

It was addressed by Comrade So Yun-sok, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and chief secretary of the Pyongyang Municipal Party Committee.

The visit to our country of the party and government delegation of the Republic of Nicaragua headed by Comrade Daniel Ortega Saavedra is a momentous event in the development of the friendly relations between Korea and Nicaragua and a striking demonstration of militant solidarity of the two peoples who are standing on the same front against imperialism and for independence, he said, and went on: Our two peoples are close comrades-in-arms and brothers on the same front against U.S. imperialism, the common enemy.

The glorious victory of the Sandinist People's Revolution won by the heroic fighters of Nicaragua in July 1979 signified a great turn in the life of the Nicaraguan people and one more historical event that violently shook the ruling system of U.S. imperialism in Latin America.

A victory on one front against U.S. imperialism is a victory on other fronts.

After the victory of the revolution the Nicaraguan people under the correct leadership of the Sandinist National Liberation Front and the Government of National Reconstruction have consolidated their revolutionary power and vigorously advanced toward socialism, valiantly driving back the enemy's repeated aggressive and subversive acts and sabotage.

The revolutionary turn in Nicaragua under the nose of U.S. imperialism has had a great inspiring influence upon the Latin American people in their struggle against U.S. imperialism and for independence.

Saying that the U.S. imperialists resort to malicious machinations to destroy the Nicaraguan revolution in its cradle by rallying bands of counterrevolutionary mercenaries and commit acts of aggression and intervention against Cuba, Grenada, Suriname and other parts of Latin America, he went on: The Korean people extend full support to and firm solidarity with the fraternal Nicaraguan people who are struggling against the armed invasions of the U.S. imperialists and their stooges and for defending the motherland and revolution and preserving peace in Central America and Caribbean region, united closely around the Sandinist National Liberation Front.

We sternly denounce the U.S. imperialists' barbaric acts of aggression and intervention against countries in Central America and Caribbean region and express firm solidarity with all the Latin American peoples in their struggle for independence, sovereignty and the building of a new society.

Today U.S. imperialism is keying up tension and destroying peace and security everywhere in the world--Northeast Asia surrounding the Korean Peninsula, Middle East, Southern Africa and Europe.

The Korean people support the struggle of the Palestinian people against imperialism and Zionism and for the restoration of the occupied lands and the national rights including the right of founding an independent state, support the struggle of the peoples of Namibia and South Africa against colonialism and racism and for freedom and liberation and stand foursquare behind the just struggle of the socialist countries, non-aligned countries and all the peace-loving peoples of the world to safeguard peace and security in Europe and the rest of the world.

Saying that, at this very moment, the U.S. imperialists are threatening and blackmailing our people by staging the "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises largest ever in history while making haste with the formation of a triangular military alliance of the United States, Japan and the South Korean puppets, the speaker continued:

To ease tensions and preserve peace in Korea is the key point in defending peace in Asia and, further, peace and security in the world.

To preserve peace in Korea it is imperative first of all to have the U.S. imperialist forces of aggression withdrawn from South Korea and replace the Korean armistice agreement by a peace agreement.

That all foreign troops must be withdrawn from South Korea was confirmed at the U.N. General Assembly long ago and made clear at the recent seventh non-aligned summit conference.

The U.S. imperialists must withdraw from South Korea with their aggression forces and death-carrying weapons and immediately stop the "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises and the moves to form a triangular military alliance of the United States, Japan and the South Korean puppets.

We held that the proposal for founding the Democratic Confederal Republic of Koryo advanced by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song should be realized at an early date so that a non-aligned, peaceful, independent and sovereign, reunified country, not dependent on any outside forces, can be established on the Korean Peninsula.

The speaker stressed: When the Korean and Nicaraguan peoples tightly join hands to dismember U.S. imperialism in the east and the Western Hemisphere, and all the revolutionary peoples unite to do the same everywhere in the world where U.S. imperialism has stretched its talons of aggression, it will become impotent and unable to run riot at will.

Our people will as ever vigorously struggle in firm unity with the fraternal Nicaraguan people, in firm unity with all the progressive peoples of the world including the peoples of socialist and non-aligned countries to realize the common desire for the building of an independent new world free from imperialism and war and free from domination and subjugation by outside forces, upholding the revolutionary banner of anti-imperialism and independence.

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'NODONG SINMUN' DESCRIES U.S. SECURITY PLANNING

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[Text] Pyongyang, 19 Mar (KCNA)--At a hearing held recently at the U.S. House Armed Services Committee the commander of the U.S. forces in the Pacific claimed that the Asian-Pacific region has become a very important area in the military, economic and political aspects in the shaping of the U.S. global strategy.

And the deputy assistant secretary of the U.S. State Department for the East Asian and Pacific region contended that the U.S. forces and the South Korean puppet army should bend main efforts for strengthening their war posture for the "security" of South Korea.

In a signed commentary titled "Under 'Security' Veil" NODONG SINMUN Saturday says: An outline of their debate indicates that the U.S. imperialists set store by Asia in gratifying their desire for world supremacy, regard the Korean Peninsula in particular as its "kernel" and the U.S. forces and the puppet army will further strengthen their "war posture" for the "security" of South Korea. This indicates that the U.S. imperialists have chosen Korea as the detonating point of a new war in their desperate bid to start a war in our country.

For their own "vital interests" they hammer away at their chosen theme of the "stability" of the Far East, Middle East and Europe. And these areas are the objects of their "multilateral war strategy." The U.S. Defense Department is planning the deployment of aircraft carrier task force units in the Indian Ocean, East Sea of Korea, northwestern Pacific and other regions under the motto of "flexible strategy." And this proceeds from their strategic purpose of waging a war simultaneously in these areas.

The "security" of South Korea much advertised by the U.S. imperialists is nothing but a pretext for resorting to military adventures against our republic with a tight hold on South Korea as their colony and military base.

The outcries of the U.S. imperialist warmaniacs for strengthened "war posture" of the U.S. forces and the puppet army in South Korea suggest that they are hastening preparations for an attack on our republic and watching for a chance of lighting the fuse of a new war.

The "stability" trumpeted by the U.S. imperialists is, in fact, a war slogan of reversed form.

They seek not stability but domination over other countries and are preparing a war everywhere in the world under the cloak of "stability" at this very moment.

They should renounce their war provocation scheme against the Korean people and get out of South Korea at once with their aggression forces and nuclear weapons.

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ROMBERG REMARKS ON NONALIGNED PRINCIPLE CRICITIZED

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[Text] Pyongyang, 22 Mar (KCNA)--U.S. State Department spokesman Romberg recently made preposterous utterances that the political declaration of the seventh non-aligned summit conference made an unfit attack on the United States and the United States deemed it regret that the declaration departed from the principle of the non-aligned movement.

Commenting on this jargon, NODONG SINMUN 22 March says: It is impudent indeed for the United States to talk about the principle of the non-aligned movement and carp on the political declaration of the recent summit conference. This is an unbearable challenge to the non-aligned movement.

The author of the commentary says: It is only too natural that the non-aligned summit should have denounced the U.S. imperialists.

U.S. imperialism is the main target of struggle of the non-alignment movement.

The U.S. imperialists it is who stretching tentacles of aggression and interference to the non-aligned countries in an attempt to stifle their independence and sovereignty. It is also they who are scheming to wreck the non-aligned movement, regarding its victorious advance as a thorn in their flesh.

Proof of this was furnished by their manoeuvres with the approach of the recent non-aligned summit. In an attempt to scuttle the New Delhi summit conference and prevent it from achieving desired success, they resorted to threat, blackmail, appeasement, deception and all other despicable means against the member nations of the movement and maliciously tried to disunite and weaken this movement and emasculate and stifle it, driving a wedge and sowing the seed of discord among them. But all their attempts miscarried.

At the conference, state and government leaders of many countries condemned U.S. imperialism and the political declaration vehemently denounced it for encouraging the Israeli Zionists to aggression on Arab countries. This stems from the fundamental principle of the non-aligned movement opposing all manner of domination and subjugation and calling for maintaining chajusong (independence). It is preposterous indeed for the U.S. imperialists to describe this as "a departure" from the principle of this movement.

What is all the more ridiculous is Romberg's babbling that the United States would "respect the true principle" of the non-aligned movement and hoped for the more genuine application of this principle.

His claim means that the non-aligned movement should refrain from denouncing the U.S. imperialists and join hands with them and this is the "true principle" of the non-aligned movement.

This betrays the brigandish intention of the U.S. imperialists to emasculate and stamp out the independent stand, the idea of anti-imperialism and independence, the fundamental principle of the non-aligned movement, and make this movement exist in name only.

No matter what slight of hand the U.S. imperialists may resort to in an attempt to bar the advance of the non-aligned movement, it is futile.

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KOREANS' PAPER ABROAD NOTES ANTI-U.S. CHON SENTIMENT

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[Text] Pyongyang, 23 Mar (KCNA)--A recent issue of an overseas Koreans' newspaper published in Canada carried an article from South Korean students dealing with the growing sentiments of the people against the anti-popular rule of the U.S. imperialists and the Chon Tu-hwan puppet clique.

The students say in the article that they clearly saw the true colour of the United States that commands and manipulates the Chon Tu-hwan puppet clique through the Kwangju popular uprising in May 1980. The people continue their bloody resistance, defying death, "for the day of victory they will surely win some time," they declare.

Exposing the U.S. South Korean policy reminding one of a wicked act of administering medicine after giving disease, they write: An explosive crisis is foreseen in spring this year. The anti-U.S. sentiments keep growing. The United States helps the military dictatorship to curb the democratic growth of the people.

The people shout at the Chon Tu-hwan group not to tell a lie when it is trumpeting about "democracy" quite contrary to the realities.

And the Chon Tu-hwan group is circulating the rumour that a "constitutional revision" is forthcoming. This is a ruse to bridge over the crisis by making people harbour some "hope."

The economy cannot even breathe without entirely depending on the domination of the United States and Japan. The U.S. domination is tightly binding everything, military, politics and economy.

The Chon Tu-hwan group is ruled by the United States. No one believes the propagandistic phraseology of the "government." There is no doubt that the power of the Chon Tu-hwan group will fall. Great are the conscience and strength of the workers.

In conclusion the students stress that an end must be put to the colonial dictatorial system and new chapter of history be opened in South Korea.

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KOREAN FIGURE IN U.S. HITS TEAM SPIRIT EXERCISE

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[Text] Pyongyang, 22 Mar (KCNA)--A recent issue of HAEOE HANMINBO, a newspaper of Koreans published in the United States, carried an article by Korean figure Kim Son-tae denouncing the "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises.

Exposing the aggressive nature of the "Team Spirit 83," the author stressed that the proclamation of a semi-war state in the northern half of the republic to counter it is a legitimate self-defensive step.

Pointing out with indignation that U.S. Secretary of State Shultz spoke ill of the self-defensive step taken by the northern half of the republic in disregard of the stark fact, like a thief crying stop thief, the author said: If the "Team Spirit 83" is not a war rehearsal aimed at creating tension on the Korean Peninsula as claimed by Shultz, the United States had better stage it in its mainland or Hawaii, not in the area along the military demarcation line of Korea.

He continued: The entire people should protest against the deceptive utterances of Shultz. They should also protest against the statement of U.S. Army Chief of Staff Mayer about the use of nuclear weapons on the Korean Peninsula.

We reaffirm that Chon Tu-hwan who offered a combat training ground to the U.S. troops, devastating our territory, is a traitor.

In order to defend our land our people should demand an immediate stop to this operation. He repeatedly called for determinedly rising in struggle to check and thwart the dangerous war provocation moves of the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppets.

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N. KOREA/INTERNATIONAL COMMENTARY

WORLD YOUTH GROUP DENOUNCES TRIANGULAR ALLIANCE

SK230459 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0330 GMT 23 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 23 Mar (KCNA)--The bureau of the World Federation of Democratic Youth recently made public a statement denouncing the projected U.S.-Japan-South Korea tripartite military alliance, according to a report.

Due to the reckless military provocations of U.S. imperialism, a critical situation which may lead to the outbreak of a war any moment has been created on the Korean Peninsula, the statement notes, and says:

The WFDY Bureau bitterly denounces the U.S. imperialists' colonial enslavement policy and aggressive moves to perpetuate the division of Korea by creating "two Koreas" and keep South Korea as their permanent colony and "forefront bridgehead" for aggression on the whole of Korea and the Asian continent.

We pungently denounce the scheme to form a U.S.-Japan-South Korea tripartite military alliance, regarding it as a dangerous act for disturbing peace and security in and around Korea.

We strongly demand that the U.S. imperialists immediately stop the "Team Spirit 83" military exercises and unconditionally withdraw their aggression forces and all the nuclear weapons from South Korea, the Japanese reactionaries promptly give up the scheme to stage a comeback to Korea and stop encouraging the South Korean puppets, and the South Korean puppet clique step down from "power" at once.

The WFDY will as ever express full support and solidarity for the Korean people and youth in the just cause of smashing the new war provocation moves of the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppets.

The statement calls upon the world progressive youth and peace-loving people to heighten vigilance against the projected U.S.-Japan-South Korea tripartite military alliance and wage a vigorous struggle to check and frustrate it.

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IDEA OF JAPAN-U.S. 'COMMON DESTINY' CRITICIZED

SK181232 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1017 GMT 18 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 18 Mar (KCNA)--NODONG SINMUN Thursday carried an article headlined "Aggressive Theory of Japan-U.S. 'Common Destiny'."

The article says: During his U.S. trip in January, Japanese Prime Minister Nakasone defined the Japan-U.S. relations as "common destiny" and babbled that "close cooperation" between Japan and the United States is the "cornerstone" of peace and security in the Asia-Pacific region and the world.

This is an open declaration of the Japan-U.S. military alliance and shows that the Japanese reactionaries have involved Japan deeper in executing the U.S. line of war.

Clamouring about the "responsibility" of Japan and the United States for "peace and prosperity" in Asia and the Pacific, the Japanese reactionaries are now making much ado to make it appear as if the "common destiny" were for peace. But his is a sophism to conceal the criminal nature of the "common destiny" theory.

The rash military collusion and tieup between the United States and Japan pursuing the aim to dominate and control Asian countries behind the spurious signboard of peace--this is the essence of the "common destiny" theory.

Today the Japan-U.S. "alliance" has developed into an open military alliance, "common destiny." This is a logical result of the vicious designs of the U.S. imperialists and the Japanese reactionaries to find a way out of their crisis in overseas aggression.

The U.S. imperialists try to maintain their neocolonialist domination over Asia in such a way as to use the Japanese reactionaries as their agents in Asia and thereby make Asians fight among themselves.

Zealously availing themselves of the U.S. imperialists' Asian strategy, the Japanese reactionaries on their part try to realise their old dream of "greater East Asia coprosperity sphere" proceeding from the demand of the Japanese monopoly capital seeking overseas expansion to extricate itself from the serious economic crisis.

The U.S.-Japan military collusion and tieup for dominating and controlling the Asian countries is now creating a very grave phase.

To suit the execution of the U.S. imperialists' Asian strategy, the strategic and tactical deployment of the U.S. armed forces and the Japanese "self-defence forces" has been integrated and joint military exercises of the U.S. and Japanese ground, naval and air forces are being staged almost every day for their joint operations.

The danger of the Japan-U.S. "common destiny" finds more salient expression in its close connection with the moves to knock into shape a triangular military alliance of the United States, Japan and South Korea.

The U.S. and Japanese reactionary ruling circles plan to frame up the triangular military alliance by converting the U.S.-Japan relations established under the "Japan-U.S. security pact" into "common destiny" and drawing even the South Korean puppets into it, and to use this alliance in invading Korea and other Asian countries.

Japan serves as operational, supply, launching and relay bases in the "Team Spirit 83" war exercises, the largest in history, being staged by the U.S. imperialists and South Korean puppets against our republic, and high-ranking officers of the Japanese "self-defence forces" are directly participating in the exercises.

It is widely known that the problem of "blocking" the Korean Strait through joint operations of the United States, Japan and the South Korean puppets and the question of participation of the Japanese "self-defence forces" in a war in Korea in "case of emergency on the Korean Peninsula" are being brought to maturity.

The military collusion and tieup with the U.S. imperialists will bring nothing good to Japan. The Japan-U.S. "common destiny" will only endanger the national independence of Japan and further strengthen her subordination to the United States.

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'XINHUA' REPORTS PRC RALLY ON MARX' DEATH ANNIVERSARY

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[Text] Beijing, 15 Mar (KCNA)--The Central Committee of the Communist Party of China held a meeting on March 13 at the Great Hall of the People to commemorate the centenary of the death of Karl Marx, according to a XINHUA report.

Present there were Comrade Hu Yaobang, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, Comrades Deng Xiaoping and Li Xiannian, members of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee, and other leading cadres of the party and state, and people, more than 10,000 in all.

Invited there were diplomatic envoys of various countries in Beijing.

Comrade Zhao Ziyang, member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and premier of the State Council, declared the meeting open.

General Secretary Hu Yaobang made a report entitled "The Radiance of the Great Truth of Marxism Lights Our Way Forward."

On behalf of the Communist Party of China, the Chinese Communists, proletariat and the Chinese people of all nationalities, he honored the memory of Karl Marx, and expressed the deepest gratitude to him.

Hu Yaobang said: "Without Marx' theory, China could not possibly have become what she is today. We have learned from Marx, conscientiously studied and drawn wisdom and strength from his works, and shall continue to do so".

Pointing out that Marx' greatest contribution to mankind is his theory of scientific communism, which equipped the proletariat and progressive people of the world with the most powerful ideological weapon for criticizing the old world, creating a new world and struggling for their own emancipation, he reviewed the history of the development of Marxism over the past century and more.

Stressing the importance of the Marxist party of each country formulating its own line and policies in accordance with its own conditions and with the international and domestic circumstances in which it finds itself, he cited as examples the victory of the October Revolution in Russia and the triumph of the Chinese Revolution.

He spoke of the change of historic significance in China since the Third Plenary Session of the party's 11th Central Committee held in late 1978. He said that China has re-embarked on the road of integrating the universal truth of Marxism with actual realities in China under the new historical conditions. This is the only correct road opened for us by Comrade Mao Zedong, he said.

Noting that the party put forward the task of learning anew as the tasks of socialist modernisation aroused in the present new historic period, the general secretary called for acquiring a better grasp of Marxism-Leninism and Mao Zedong Thought.

In conclusion he expressed the belief that though mankind now faces the threat of large-scale aggressive war, the brightness can repulse the darkness only through the joint struggle of the world working class, oppressed nations and entire progressive mankind.

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REPORTAGE ON TEAM SPIRIT 83

GDR, Norwegian Comments

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[Text] Pyongyang, 21 Mar (KCNA)--Solidarity letters denouncing the "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises came from Achim Reichardt, secretary general of the Solidarity Committee of the German Democratic Republic, and the Norwegian Peace Committee respectively to the Korean Committee for Asian-African Solidarity and the Korean National Peace Committee.

The letter of the secretary general of the Solidarity Committee of the German Democratic Republic says that the joint military exercises are a grave provocation against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and a threat to peace on the Korean Peninsula and in Asia.

In order to guarantee peace in Asia and enable the Korean people to pave the way for national reunification, we demand that all the U.S. troops withdraw from South Korea, taking along their military equipment, the letter stresses.

The letter from the Norwegian Peace Committee expresses deep apprehensions for the aggravation of the situation by the U.S. imperialists and fully supports the just cause of the Korean people who are bending all efforts for the peaceful reunification of the country.

Japanese Solons Denounce Actions

SK210819 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0810 GMT 21 Mar 83

[Text]. Tokyo, 18 Mar (KNS-KCNA)--Hideyuki Seya, Socialist member of the House of Councilors, and Toshio Yamaguchi, member of the House of Representatives from the New Liberal Club, both hailing from Saitama Prefecture, and other Japanese figures recently made public a statement in joint name denouncing the "Team Spirit 83" military exercises.

The statement says: The "Team Spirit 83" is aimed at completing a U.S.-Japan-South Korea triangular military alliance and perpetuating the division of Korea. This is contrary to the public opinion of the Korean people and the world peace-loving people desirous of the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea.

It further says: We oppose and vehemently denounce such new war provocation manoeuvres committed by the U.S. imperialists, the Chon Tu-hwan group of South Korea and the Nakasone cabinet.

And we warmly support the self-defensive measure taken by the Korean people in face of such grave situation on the order of the supreme commander of the Korean People's Army to defend the national sovereignty and their fatherland from the U.S. war provocation manoeuvres.

International Student Union Protests

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[Text] Pyongyang , 21 Mar (KCNA)--The Secretariat of the International Union of Students sent protest messages to U.S. President Reagan and the Chon Tu-hwan military fascist clique in the name of the world progressive students sharply denouncing the criminal "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises being frantically staged by the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppet clique, according to a report.

The protest to Reagan notes that the United States' criminal "Team Spirit 83" war exercises are an act gravely menacing peace and security in Korea and Asia and pushing the situation to the brink of war.

It strongly demands that the United States immediately stop these military exercises, an open challenge to the Korean people desirous of peace, withdraw its troops from South Korea without delay and discontinue all its interference in the internal affairs of Korea.

The protest to the Chon Tu-hwan clique points out that the provocative "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises are virtually a "preliminary war" on the Korean Peninsula. It goes on:

This criminal military rehearsal is mainly aimed at perpetuating the division of Korea and invading the DPRK.

Considering that this is an open challenge to the DPRK's proposals for peaceful reunification, we strongly demand that the South Korean authorities immediately stop all their moves threatening peace and remove all the obstacles in the way of reunification.

Tokyo Protests

SK211016 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1009 GMT 21 Mar 83

[Text] Tokyo, 18 Mar (KNS-KCNA)--A meeting was held in Tokyo, Japan, on March 16 in denunciation of the "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises.

A large number of Japanese people of various strata were present at the meeting sponsored by its executive committee formed with such organizations as the "Metropolitan Liaison Council for Solidarity Between the Japanese and South Korean People," the "Action Liaison Council for Solidarity With the South Korean

People" and the Japan headquarters of the "National Congress for the Restoration of Democracy in South Korea and the Promotion of Unification" ("Hanmintong").

The speakers at the meeting condemned in unison the "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises, largest ever in history, which are being staged by the U.S. imperialist aggression forces and the South Korean puppet army in the whole area of South Korea.

They demanded the U.S. imperialists to stop the new war provocation moves and withdraw their troops from South Korea.

A resolution was adopted at the meeting.

Meanwhile, an "emergency meeting against Nakasone's line of armed expansion and 'team spirit 83'" was held in Tokyo on March 13.

At the end of the meetings the participants held demonstrations in front of the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo and the U.S. military base in Yokoda.

Japanese Participation

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["Japan Participates in 'Team Spirit 83' Exercises As Supply Base"--KCNA headline

[Text] Pyongyang, 19 Mar (KCNA)--Airplanes of the U.S. imperialist aggression forces participating in the "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises are frequenting Nagasaki airport in Nagasaki Prefecture, Japan, according to a report.

An official of the airport said that in the last one week alone U.S. military planes were repeatedly refueled at this airport.

On March 14 an anti-submarine patrol plane flying from the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier "Enterprise" landed at Nagasaki airport.

The Japanese reactionary authorities openly approve the landing of U.S. military planes at Japanese airports, saying that they obtained "prior permit" and it is inevitable under the "security treaty."

Nepalese Denounce Actions

SK240440 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0350 GMT 24 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 24 Mar (KCNA)--Suriya Lal, former member of the National Panchayat of Nepal, recently issued a statement denouncing the "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises of the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppet clique, according to a report.

The statement says: The "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises of the U.S. imperialists and South Korea are virtually a "test war" and a "preliminary war" for provoking a war of aggression against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

They are staging the aggressive joint military exercises at a time when the Korean people and the world people are making efforts for the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea. This must be denounced and the military exercises be ended at once.

The withdrawal of the U.S. troops from South Korea is a prerequisite to peace not only in Korea but also in Asia.

Ghanaian Group Denounces Exercises

SK180124 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2215 GMT 17 Mar 83

[Text] Pyongyang, 18 Mar (KCNA)--Ten public organizations of Ghana including the Peace and Solidarity Council, the Movement for Peace and Democracy, the African Youth Command and the National Union of Ghana Students recently made public a statement in joint name denouncing the "Team Spirit 83" joint military exercises of the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppet clique, according to a report.

The statement says: A tense situation which may lead to the outbreak of war any moment has been created on the Korean Peninsula and the danger of new war is drawing near hour by hour.

Bitterly condemning the U.S. imperialists' frantic war provocation manoeuvres as an unpardonable challenge to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the entire Korean people and a crude violation of world peace and security, we state as follows:

1. The U.S. imperialists must immediately stop the adventurous "Team Spirit 83" war exercises and the machinations to knock together a U.S.-Japan-South Korea tripartite military alliance and withdraw from South Korea without delay, taking along their aggression forces and nuclear and all other destructive weapons.

2. The Japanese ruling quarters must immediately desist from the criminal acts increasing the danger of war on the Korean Peninsula in collusion with U.S. imperialism and discard the delusion to realise the old dream of "greater East Asia coprosperity sphere."

3. The traitor Chon Tu-hwan of South Korea must stop playing the role of an executor of the policy of aggression and war of his U.S. and Japanese masters and step down from "power," as demanded by the people.

4. We express full support to and firm solidarity with the Korean people who are staunchly fighting against the new war provocation manoeuvres of the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppet clique and for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country in hearty response to the order of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, supreme commander of the Korean People's Army, proclaiming a semi-war state.

5. We call upon the world's peace-loving people, international and national organisations to vehemently denounce the war provocation manoeuvres of the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppet clique and express powerful support to and solidarity with the Korean people's struggle for the withdrawal of the U.S. aggression troops from South Korea and the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

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SOUTH CIVILIAN SHIPS--Pyongyang, 19 Mar (KCNA)--The maritime transport commander of the U.S. imperialist aggression forces in his testimony recently at U.S. Congress announced that it was decided to mobilize all ships of South Korea for swift transport of U.S. forces in case of emergency, according to a report. To ensure the transport of military supplies for war of aggression in South Korea and various other parts of the world, the U.S. imperialists have already worked out a "five-year strategic maritime transport plan" scaled at 5,800 million dollars for the building of new ships and exclusive use of the existing ones and reportedly requested the congress to earmark 996 million dollars in the fiscal 1984 as part of this plan. This tells that the U.S. imperialists are further hastening preparations to unleash war of aggression in Korea and other parts of the world. [Text] [SK191042 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1029 GMT 19 Mar 83]

JAPANESE MAGAZINE ON SUPPRESSION--Pyongyang, 24 Mar (KCNA)--A recent issue of the Japanese politico-theoretical magazine SEKAI conveyed the gist of "declaration of human rights" which was published by South Korean religionists at a human rights conference some time ago. Noting that human rights have been completely obliterated in South Korea with the Chon Tu-hwan dictatorial "regime" becoming more tyrannic, the declaration says: The South Korean society entered into a dark period of brutal tortures, organised armed suppression of students and workers, ban and suppression of memorial services at churches by force of arms and investigation into sermons. We believe that our mission today is to wage a movement for the vital rights and human rights of the workers, peasants and the poor who are languishing in hunger and poverty. The declaration denounces the Chon Tu-hwan puppet clique's treacherous "policy of fixing the division" and the suppression of the people for "the security of power." The magazine notes that this declaration surpasses the "declaration for democracy and national salvation" published in 1976 and calls for an allout protest and resistance to the Chon Tu-hwan system. [Text] [SK240502 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0407 GMT 24 Mar 83]

WOR CEREMONY ON MARX--Pyongyang, 15 Mar (KCNA)--A commemoration of the Central Committee of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany, the State Council, the Council of Ministers and the National Council of the National Front of the

German Democratic Republic was held in Berlin on March 11 on the centenary of the death of Karl Marx, according to a report. It was attended by general secretary of the Central Committee of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany and chairman of the State Council Erich Honecker, leading cadres of the party and state of the GDR, representatives of public circles and citizens of the capital. Joachim Herrmann, member of the Political Bureau, and secretary of the Central Committee of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany, made a speech at the commemoration. Saying that the German Democratic Republic commemorated Karl Marx as the greatest son of the German people, he noted: We have carried into effect the behest of Karl Marx by founding the first state of workers and peasants in Germany. The most aggressive militarist line of the United States and other imperialist quarters and their moves to deploy new type U.S. missiles in West Germany and other West European countries are the gravest threat to mankind, he said. [Text] [SK151029 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1018 GMT 15 Mar 83]

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